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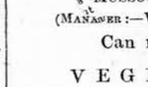

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VICTORIA DOCK.—The steamers Kapurthala and Formosa entered the dock on Thursday, and the steamers Stanley Hall and Pachumba yesterday.

FAIR.—The annual Nawiwady Fair, near Dadiseth Agiary Road, will commence on Monday, the 26th instant, and will last for a week.

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mails for Penang, Singapore, and Hongkong, per extra s. s. Formosa, will be closed at the General Post Office, at 6 p.m., to-day, the 24th instant.

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mails for Lamu, Mombassa, Dar-es-salam, Tanga, and Zanzibar, per extra s. s. Setsa, will be closed at the General Post Office, at 5 p.m., tomorrow, the 25th instant.

SHORTHAND.—Mr. Moreshwar Dadaji Talpade, a clerk in Messrs. Ralli Brothers' office, has obtained elementary and theory certificates in phonography from Messrs. Isaac Pitman and Sons, and is admitted as a member of the Phonetic Society. Mr. Anandrao Madhavrao Edwankar was his short-hand teacher.

THE HINDU UNION CLUB.—The third lecture of the series organised by the Hindu Union Club will be delivered in the club hall, this evening, at 5-30 p.m., by the Hon'ble Mr. Justice M. G. Ranade, C.I.E., on "The History of the Rise of the Maratha Confederacy," when the Hon'ble Mr. Javerilal U. Yajnik will preside.

MUSIC ON THE ESPLANADE.—By kind permission of Lieutenant-Colonel E. S. Luard and Officers the Band of the 1st Battalion B. B. and C. I. Railway Volunteer Rifle Corps will play the following programme, at the Esplanade Bandstand, this evening, at 5-30 :—

Quick March.....Pompeso.....J. Ord Hume.
Ballad.....Satanella.....M. W. Balfe.
Valse.....Novello.....Jos. Gung'l.
Potpourri.....Chauvari.....Hamm.
Serenade.....Quand tu chantes ...Gounod.
Galop.....Poltergeister.....C. Faust.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

MUSIC AT THE VICTORIA GARDENS.—The following programme will be played by the G. I. P. Railway Volunteer Band, at the Victoria Gardens, this evening, at 5-30 :—

Quick March...Duke Domun.....M. W. Brunt.
Overture.....Im Rullenleben Style.....Schubert.
Valse.....The Southern Breeze.....Meisler.
Selection.....The Zoophite.....G. Gassner.
Polka.....Per Collier (Polo Solo)...A. Selling.
Galop.....Pleine Carriere ...Solo...Bohm.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

THE FORTHCOMING TOURNAMENT.—On Monday next and daily (Thursdays and Sundays excepted) the 21st Bombay Infantry and 22nd Bombay Infantry, will each furnish a fatigue party of fifty men and all available lascars under a Native Officer to pitch tents in connection with the forthcoming tournament. The parties will parade alternately in the morning and evening, commencing with the 21st Bombay Infantry, on Monday morning. The hours for fatigue will be 6 a.m. to 9 a.m., and 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

OUT OF THE FRYING-PAN INTO THE FIRE.—About half-past 1 o'clock, yesterday morning, two policemen, while taking their rounds, saw five or six men, seated under a gas lamp, in Trimbuk Purashram Street, gambling. On seeing the police coming, all the men ran away in different directions, but one of them, named Neora Nusheer, aged thirty years, a reckless driver, stumbled against a stone, and fell into a gutter on the road-side, sustaining severe injuries to the head. He was taken to the J. J. Hospital, and detained under treatment.

A DISPUTE SETTLED.—Mr. Spencer, pleader, appeared before Mr. J. Sanders-Slater, acting Chief Presidency Magistrate, at the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, and applied for permission to withdraw the charge of assault preferred against Bapubhai Lalubhai and others, at the instance of Hayabhoy Jeenachand, his client. Complainant and accused are diamond merchants, and they had charged one another with assault, and using insulting language. The parties having come to an agreement the magistrate granted the application, and the charge and cross-charge were allowed to be withdrawn.

DROWNED IN THE HARBOUR.—The body of the African boy, named Bishagad, twelve years, who was accidentally drowned in the sea from the P. & O. Company's steamer Clyde, on the evening of Tuesday last, under the circumstances reported in our yesterday's issue, was found floating on the surface of the water near the vessel, at 2 p.m., on Thursday, by one of the ship's officers. The body was picked up, and removed to the morgue by the police. There were no external marks of violence on the body. Mr. Allan F. Turner, the coroner, held an inquest, yesterday morning, at the morgue, on view of the boy's body, when the jury returned a verdict of accidental death by drowning in the sea.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY.—Inspector Sloane, yesterday, charged Kubba Amir, before Mr. Sandor Sliders, acting Chief Presidency Magistrate, at the Esplanade Police Court, with robbing Tulsi Wagha, a goldsmith, of a gold necklet, valued at Rs. 225, at Keeka Street, on the evening of the 15th instant. The evidence showed that accused was accompanied by another man, and they assaulted complainant, and accused tore the necklet off his neck. The defence was that the charge was a concocted one, and a woman was at the bottom of it. The magistrate disbelieved the evidence of an *ekhi*, and convicting accused, sentenced him to nine months' rigorous imprisonment, there being two previous convictions against him.

IT WAS THE GANJA.—Before Mr. Pheroze Hoshung Dastur, at the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, Inspector Hick charged Dowjee Pragji, a Hindu, aged 22 years, with committing an offence, under Section 377 of the Indian Penal Code. Shanker Rajaram, a Brahmin boy, said that he used to sleep on the verandah of his master's house with accused and his cousin. He felt somebody pressing him on the night of the 22nd instant, and raised a cry. His cousin woke up, and a policeman was called, and accused was arrested. The magistrate remarked that the medical evidence did not prove the offence to be of a graver nature, and accused was therefore convicted of using criminal force, and sentenced to forty-five days' rigorous imprisonment.

FORT HIGH SCHOOL.—Mr. C. F. Howard, the well-known author of the Art of Reckoning, paid a visit to the Fort High School, on Wednesday, the 21st instant. The head-master and his staff received him very cordially, and conducted him to the school hall, where about two hundred boys of the higher standards had met. Mr. Howard received quite an ovation on entering the hall. He then delivered a very able and interesting speech in support of his new system of reckoning, and worked several examples in multiplication, division, interest, &c. The boys seemed to follow the lecturer with an amount of interest. At the close of the proceedings, which lasted for more than two hours, the head-master thanked the lecturer, who was loudly and repeatedly cheered by the boys.

ALLEGED TERRIBLE BEATING.—At the Mazagon Police Court yesterday, Mr. E. Wilkin, acting Fourth Presidency Magistrate, disposed of the case, in which Malvan Rajooba, Succaram Peerajji and Rama Succaram stood charged, at the instance of Inspector Merchant, with causing hurt to Gunpat Babaji, on the 11th instant, near the Common Jail. Complainant appeared to have received a terrible thrashing from some one, for he could hardly stand while in the witness box, and he had several bandages round his head and other parts of the body. Complainant's story was that he was set upon with sticks. After receiving the blows, he was taken to the J. J. Hospital in a semi-conscious state, and the case was adjourned twice pending his recovery. The first accused was arrested on the spot while the other two were arrested in their houses an hour afterwards. The complainant also stated that the accused were perfect strangers to him, and he could not assign any motive for the assault. The magistrate, in disposing of the case, said that the evidence was such a mass of contradictions that he could not frame any charge against Nos. 2 and 3, while No. 1, according to complainant's own admission, had done nothing, which a reasonable man could complain of. He therefore discharged all the accused.

INSANITY AND SUICIDE.—Mr. Allan F. Turner, the coroner, held an inquest yesterday, at Gunpowder Road, Mazagon, touching the death of Pemee, a Hindu woman, aged thirty years, the wife of Annaji Wallub, a carpenter, residing at Mazagon. About a year ago the deceased began to show symptoms of insanity, and since that time she has behaved in a strange manner, breaking everything in the house and quarrelling with and abusing every one who came in her way. On many occasions she strayed away from the house and was brought home by the police. She was once taken to the Colaba Lunatic Asylum, where she was examined by the doctor, but was not allowed to remain there as a patient. About 10 p.m., on Thursday night, the husband asked her to take some food as she had taken none during the day, but she refused to do so. About midnight the husband awoke, found the door of the room open, and deceased missing. A search was made for her, but she was not found until about 7 o'clock the following morning, when a worshipper in the Mankeshwar temple, Mazagon, informed the husband that the body of a woman had been found floating in a well in the compound of that temple. The husband went to the place and recognized the body as that of the deceased. The body which was removed from the well bore no external marks of violence. The jury returned a verdict of suicide by drowning while in an unsound state of mind.

CONVICTION OF A NOTED BURGLAR.—At the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Rama Chundria, a Hindu, aged twenty-eight years, a native of Hurnay, having two previous convictions against him, was charged at the instance of Inspector Butfoy before Mr. W. R. Hamilton, Second Presidency Magistrate, with house-breaking, in that he broke into a godown containing wool and horns, belonging to one Goolam Hossein Mahomed, at Dongree Street. About 7 o'clock in the evening of the 21st instant, complainant's manager having secured the door of the godown with two large locks, went to attend some religious ceremony at Imambara. About an hour afterwards accused appeared at the godown, in which besides wool and horns, there was a large safe, containing some ten thousand rupees, and having broken open the locks with a jimmy, with which he was armed, entered the place. A cold-drink shop-keeper, who was watching the movements of the accused from his shop, opposite the godown, went up and bolted the door of the godown from outside and called out "thief, thief." The police appeared on the scene, the manager was sent for, and the godown being searched, the accused was found concealed amongst bags of wool and the implement was discovered lying near the safe, which was found to be intact. Accused, against whom stood a register of two previous convictions, the last being of three years, was convicted and sentenced to two years' rigorous imprisonment and to pay a fine of Rs. 100, with the alternative of suffering six months' further rigorous imprisonment.

GLASS PORTRAITURE.—If a thing of beauty is a joy for ever, the courtiers of his Highness the Maharajah of Mysore ought to derive considerable pleasure from the opportunity which they will soon have of seeing placed amongst the articles of vertu answering to that description, in the Mysore palace, a portrait of his Highness, which has just been executed by Messrs. P. D. Kanga and Co., the well-known glass decorators of Church Gate Street. The firm have previously turned out some excellent portraits of Indian Chiefs, but in our opinion this is the best they have yet done. The portrait which is worked on a large Venetian mirror, three-quarters of an inch thick, represents the Maharajah in a standing attitude attired in full durbar dress. The varying colours of his costume and the brilliant array of jewels and decorations adorning the breast of his Highness, are brought out with minute distinctness and the artist has also succeeded in catching the intellectual expression of his illustrious subject. In short, the picture which is six feet high by three feet and six inches broad, standing out boldly on glass is more life-like than would be possible on canvas. A further advantage that can be claimed for this and similar portraits is that as the work is done inside the glass there is no fear of injury by insects, damp, and the other enemies of paintings on canvas. We understand that the price charged for the portrait is only three thousand rupees, which must be regarded as quite moderate. The picture will be open to the inspection of the general public to-day at the shop in Church Gate Street, and to-morrow will be despatched to Mysore.

GOA NEWS.—His Excellency the Governor-General intends to reside in Pangim Palace, and at Cabo during the hot weather.—Mr. Pocas Falcao, the late Chief Justice at Goa, has been transferred to an identical post at Acores.—The following gentlemen have been proposed as members for the Provincial General Council :—For Ilhas—Mr. Theophilo Pinto ; for Bardez—Rev. Saldanha ; for Sanguiem—Mr. Sertao Paulo Nogueira ; for Sanguem—Mr. J. C. Affonso ; for Quepem—Mr. Caetano Maria de Sa ; for Canacona—Mr. Albino Fernandes. The names of other members are not yet out.—The Public Notary Mr. De Mello, who wounded a boy with a gun, has delivered himself up to the police, and he is now in the Pangim jail. He lately attempted to shoot the father of the boy, going all the way to St. Lawrence ; but before he could pull the trigger the gun was snatched away from him. He then swore to kill Mr. da Cruz or somebody connected with him, and the poor boy chanced to be the victim.—One of the first acts of the Governor-General has been to order the engineer entrusted with the survey of the forest to go to Novas Conquestas to commence work, instead of remaining in the station of Pangim.—The *Oriente* reminds his Excellency to examine the accounts of the Public Treasurer and receivers, which are reported to be in long arrear.—At the request of his Grace the Patriarch Archbishop, the feast of St. Francis Xavier has definitely been postponed to the 10th of December, instead of the 3rd idem, on which date the proceedings of the Provincial Ecclesiastical Council will commence.—The list of the new Municipal Corporation of Salsette has been drawn up. Mr. H. A. Tovar Diss is proposed as President.—Mr. Joaquim Arez retired on a pension of Rs. 3,000 per year. It is reported that he has been appointed member of a Colonial Council.—The head of the P. W. Department is to be in charge of the telephone office without extra allowance.—Mr. Rodrigues who has been performing the duty for some time is attached to the northern districts of Damaun or Diu. No provision having been made in the Budget, the Military Hospital and the Orphanage at Damaun are to be supplied free of charge with twenty-nine and ten cart-loads of firewood respectively, from the Government forest every year.—The Government Council have given permission to the Bardez Municipality to retain the services of the jail chaplain and the assistant whose posts are abolished by the new regulations, provided the Municipality pays them out of their coffers.—Mr. Felner, the Commandant of the Police Force, has arrived from Portugal to take charge of the post.—Mr. R. S. Coelho with seven members of his family were poisoned at Salsette by a servant of his neighbour who is a sunstroke by fighting. The family are suffering seriously.—On the 15th instant a new chapel dedicated to our Lady of Lourdes was opened at Utorda. The feast will be celebrated on the 25th instant.—The usual levee of the Governor-General at which all the Government employes are introduced to his Excellency, has been dispensed with on the present occasion.—On the 14th instant, the Governor-General was engaged in finding out the balance of the Public Treasury. The result has not transpired.—Colonel Fayo the Governor of Damaun, left the station on the 15th instant for Diu to take up his new appointment.—There were demonstrations in his favour, a dinner and a ball being given by Mr. Diogenes Mascarenhas and on the morning of his departure by Mr. Sorabji.—The Municipal elections in Damaun took place on Sunday, Mr. Caetano Diogenes Mascarenhas heading the list.—The new Corporation has been in favour of the retention of the late Governor now transferred to Diu.

ENGLISH SPORTSMANSHIP.

WHEN one thinks of it, it is rather curious to mark the diversity of practice that has tacitly established itself in regard to pre-remuneration of success at games. The English are the creatures of custom, and as in our Constitution so in our games, we allow things to slide into the channels they work out for themselves and have no liking for a logical uniformity. A philosophic foreigner might draw deep moralisings from the fact that the county cricket championship, like the Cabinet, has no recognised existence. As to cricket generally, as every one knows, the universal practice is that we have no prizes. No one has ever ventured to degrade the University cricket match by offering silver or plate to the winning eleven, and the County Champion-ship has no reward but honour. Tennis and rackets again are almost entirely honorary. There is indeed a gold and a silver racket annually played for in the tennis court at Lords, but few people ever see them, or know that they have any actual existence. On the other hand, at every lawn tennis tournament the prizes are a great feature of the show. They are displayed conspicuously, and a great deal is always made of the ceremony of giving them away. No club expects to get lawn tennis players to meet each other for nothing, and the club that wants to draw the crooks show a table of plate worth from £150 to £200. The amateurs who adorn these sideboards are a strictly limited body of ladies and gentlemen, possibly a couple of dozen in all, who spend the whole summer going about from tournament to tournament, exhibiting their skill and gathering its substantial rewards. Athletics and rowing also no doubt afford opportunities for the pot-hunter, but they are small in comparison with those of tennis player. Association football is the single sport in which the amateur can take hard money without losing caste. But this itself is merely a tradition surviving from the distant past, when every parish, as in duty bound, held its meeting to keep the youth of the country proficient in the national arm, and the modern custom is merely a pleasant reminiscence of the antiquity of the pastime ; and as the prizes are to be counted in shillings the most conscientious amateur need not scruple to pocket his cheque.

In the case of India, the game of the country is unmistakeably polo : and custom has already settled that the most suitable reward for a polo team is a Challenge Cup to be held by the winners until the next tournament, generally confined by them if they succeed in winning it two or three times in succession. Most of the teams in India being military ones the Challenge Cup would seem to be a most suitable way of rewarding signal success. As the prospect of getting possession of it must always be a very remote consideration with any team when it enters, it cannot encourage the pot-hunting spirit : and, on the other hand, if won it becomes a fine mess trophy and a record of sustained prowess of which the corps has every right to be proud. But it is hardly possible to look favourably on the system that appears to be growing up now-a-days of offering money prizes in addition. It has been the custom at many tournaments to refund the winning team their travelling expenses ; but it is another matter to send in the proprecents of a polo tournament as an inducement to competitors that there will be Rs. 700 "added money." This innovation seems to be open to serious objections. It breaks down the strict line that defines and should define the position of the amateur. If a man runs or rows for money he disqualifies himself, *ipso facto*, from counting as an amateur thenceforth. In fact no other amateur could run or row against him for the future without incurring the same penalty of being put out of caste—so rigorously is the line drawn. It is hard to see why polo players should be thought to have an immunity from the demoralisation of money prizes, that has caused them to be so strictly prescribed in other branches of sport. The practice too has other objections, for if it grew it would tend to increase the expensiveness of the game, inasmuch as men might hope to recoup themselves for a lavish outlay in ponies by the money to be won. The money given would not of course stop in the hundreds. Clubs anxious to get up good tournaments would increase the prizes until the lump sum would be something that would make a material difference to the pockets of the winning team, and would in fact become the stake that was being played for. But this is getting far from the proper spirit of games, of which it may be laid down that the better the game and the greater the occasion the less need there is for prizes. A pretty athletic club has to give something handsome for the Stranger's Race if it wants to see a star appearing : but it is not on record that the Oxford men got anything for beating Yale in the same way no one complains because the historical prize for the championship of British amateur oarsmanship is intrinsically worth about forty shillings. It becomes therefore a reflection upon the character of a game when people are found at mulating it by mercenary inducements, and poloists should for the credit of their sport see to it. The great drawback of the game is its expense, and it is no doubt hard upon some teams to meet the heavy outlay of travelling to tournaments (and that the pinch has been to tell this "added money" bait would seem to show), but it would be surely better for the Polo Association to come to the front and give some help, say by organising a "gate" for the larger events, towards *bona fide* travelling expenses, rather than allow this very dubious practice of money-giving to get itself established.—*Pioneer*.

FIFTH CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

YESTERDAY at the Bombay Criminal Sessions, the trial of the following case was resumed before the Hon. Mr. Justice Farran and the same Special Jury.

THE DOUBLE MURDER IN BHENDY BAZAAR.

Khair Mahomed Faiz Mahomed, a middle-aged Pathan, was charged with having, on the 19th October last, committed a double murder, in Bhendy Bazaar Road, in causing the death of his wife Amina and of another Pathan, named Sirdarkhan Yar Mahomed. The Hon. Mr. Lang, with Mr. M. R. Jardine, instructed by the Public Prosecutor, appeared for the Crown ; and Mr. Rivett-Carnac defended the accused.

The evidence for the defence being closed, Mr. Rivett-Carnac asked the jury to hold, that all the circumstances of the murder tended to show that the accused could not have been responsible for his actions, he having been at the time temporarily insane. For that reason and also on the ground that the accused had been in a lunatic asylum formerly, Mr. Rivett Carnac urged that he had laid a sufficient basis for asking the jury to hold that the accused could not be held responsible for his actions. If, however, the jury found that prisoner did commit the murders, he asked them to recommend him to mercy on the ground that he was of unsound mind when he committed the double crime on the 19th October last.

Mr. Lang, in summing up the evidence, said it was not disputed that the prisoner committed the murders, and therefore the onus lay on the accused to prove his alleged insanity if he wished the jury to believe that, at the time of committing the crime, he did not know what he was doing. It was pleaded that the accused had been an inmate of a lunatic asylum before, and that there existed no motive for the commission of the offences. The circumstance of his having been of unsound mind in 1877 was not to be considered unless it was also shown that he was insane when he committed the double murder. The evidence for the prosecution had shewn that the accused had a very good motive for killing his wife, for after divorcing her at Kurrachee he had been pressing her to marry him again, which she refused to consent to. With regard to taking the life of Amina, therefore, it could not be said that there was an absence of motive, while with regard to the other deceased Yar Mahomed, it was apparent from the statement of the prisoner that a quarrel had taken place between them. The memory of that quarrel might have been working on the prisoner's mind when he left Amina's house, and led him to take revenge himself on Yar Mahomed. After commencing upon the evidence, the learned advocate remarked that the facts relating to a previous threat to kill Amina made by the prisoner showed that he was at the time in a sound state of mind. The evidence also showed that on the 19th October, the accused's conduct was quite rational ; and that the circumstances attending his attempted escape from Bombay by way of the Sion Causeway conclusively pointed out that the accused could not at the time have been suffering from dementia. The statement made before the magistrate, directly after the murder, could not be said to prove that he did not know what he was doing. There was nothing to support the theory that the accused was of unsound mind ; and Mr. Lang said it would be a dangerous thing for the jury to say that these two murders had been committed, under such circumstances as had been placed before the court, the criminal should escape.

His Lordship, in summing up the case to the jury, referred to the different points touched upon in the medical evidence, and left it to the jury to decide whether, at the time of inflicting the wounds on the deceased person, the accused inflicted them with the intention of causing death. The nature of the wounds would leave little doubt but that it was the accused's intention to cause death. The jury had to consider whether it was the prisoner who caused the injuries. It had not been suggested that any grave or sudden provocation had been given to the accused, and the defence urged that madness had deprived him of his proper senses. The law laid it down that nothing was an offence which was done by a person who, at the time of doing it, was not responsible for or aware of the nature of his acts. A person making such a defence must be shewn to have been unaware of the nature of his acts, but such defence did not appear to have been put forward by the counsel for the defence, as the accused person had, under such circumstances, to show that he was suffering from a diseased mind. The defence, under these circumstances, would have to show that the man was of so unsound a mind that he was not able to control his actions. It was not enough to show that his passions had alone got the mastery of him. The defence had relied upon the fact that the accused in 1878 was in the Colaba Lunatic Asylum, into which he was admitted after conviction of an offence of violence. It did not appear, at that time, a defence of insanity was set up, it not being till he had been in jail some time that it was considered advisable to send him to the asylum. After reviewing the evidence, his Lordship said, that after the murder of Amina

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

BOMBAY MARKET REPORT.

FRIDAY EVENING, Nov. 23.

THE improved feeling in our principal Produce Markets, to which we referred last week has, meantime, been only partially sustained, Wheat having relapsed into its former quiet state; and Seeds, after remaining firm for some days, having also become quiet, and in only moderate enquiry by shippers; while Cotton, though steady when not firm, at advancing prices, and in better demand by local spinners, has been entirely neglected by exporters both for ready stuff and for arrival contracts in the new crop. In Exchange there has again been but little doing either way, and the market has been generally quiet though comparatively steady, the variation in rates not having been more than 1-16d. in the week, closing quotations this evening being 1-32d. lower than those which ruled a week ago. The Money Market remains very easy. Government Paper has advanced ¼ per cent. Freights close dull for prompt shipment, and a little weaker for January-February shipment; but for March-June loading there is little tonnage offering and previous rates are maintained. There has been a slight improvement in business in Imports during the past week; but prices show no material change.

MONEY.—The Statement of Affairs of the Bank of Bombay issued on Monday disclosed comparatively little alteration in the position of the items of which it was made up, except in that of Private Deposits, the addition to which in the week under notice, was 25½ lakhs less, at 17⅛ lakhs than in that preceding. Although, owing mainly to this circumstance, the increase in the Bank's Cash Balance at the end of last week was considerably less, at 5½ lakhs, than on the previous Saturday, its quantity current was still running in the same direction, and trade requirements, instead of increasing with the opening of the fair season and the advent of the earliest export crop produce, continued to show a falling off which, last week, amounted to nearly 10 lakhs, the addition to Private Deposits above referred to having been partly counterbalanced by some increase in Loans and Bills Discounted in both cases, however, smaller than in the previous week. The only other noteworthy item in the Return was the withdrawal of Government Deposits aggregating 6 lakhs from the Bank's head office and branches. Money, meantime, is very plentiful and 3 per cent. remains the minimum rate of the Bank of Bombay.

EXCHANGE opened with a firm feeling on last mail-day at 1s. 1 7-32d. Telegraphic, and 1s. 1¼d. Demand, for Bank remittance, and at 1s. 1 11-32d. for three months' sight Credits, at which, however, no business was reported; and, Calcutta quotations coming firmer again, this market followed suit to the extent of 1-32d. and closed with a firmer tone. On Monday the market opened at 1s. 1¼d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and at 1s. 1 11-32d. for three months' sight Credits; but a fair enquiry having been early afoot for Bank medis of remittance, at 1s. 1¼d. ready, and 1s. 1 9-32d. for next year, rates receded 1-32d. all round. Yesterday there was a quiet feeling at opening, at 1s. 1 3-16d. Telegraphic, and 1s. 1 7-32d. Demand, for Bank remittance; and at 1s. 1 5-16d. for three months' sight Credits for this year's delivery, at 1s. 1 11-32d. for January, 1895, and 1s. 1 3/8d. later; 1s. 1¼d. for Telegraphic having been quoted for February transfer, at which a moderate amount was taken. A fair enquiry, however, from the Bazaar sprang up at 1s. 1 7-32d. for Demand, and rates receded to 1s. 1 3-16d. for both media of Bank remittance. To-day the market opened quiet again at 1s. 1 3-16d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and 1s. 1 5-16d. for three months' sight Credits, for delivery this year, 1s. 1 11-32d. for January, 1895, and 1s. 1 3-8d.; later, at which a large business was reported; also private Telegraphic at 1s. 1 7-32d. For Bank Paper, however, there was no enquiry, though, later on the day, 1s. 1 7-32d. for ready Telegraphic and 1s. 1¼d. for transfer next year was offered and the market closed steadier as follows:—

Bank Bills on Demand	1s. 1 7-32d.
Do. Telegraphic	1s. 1 7-32d.
Do. 3 months' sight	1s. 1¼d.
Do. 4 "	1s. 1 3-32d.
Do. 6 "	1s. 1 5-16d.
Credits 3 "	1s. 1 5-16d.
Do. 6 "	1s. 1 3-8d.
Documents 3 "	1s. 1 11-32d.
Do. 6 "	1s. 1 13-32d.
Francs 3 "	14 0/32
Do. 6 "	14 0/32

GOVERNMENT PAPER opened on last Saturday morning at 103 5-8 for 3½ per Cents for Money, and 103 7-16 for Account, and, after a temporary decline of 1-16 to 1-8 per cent. rates rallied again and closed as they had opened, with a steady feeling in the market. On Monday the market opened and continued weak at 103 5-8 for cash and 103 7-16 for the coming settlement, for 3½ per Cents, and rates declined in the course of the day 1-8 per cent., closing at 103 7-16, and 103½ for Money and Account, respectively. The opening price for 3½ per Cents on Tuesday was 103 7-16 for Money, and 103 5-16 for Account; but rates hardened thereafter in a steady market and left off at 103 9-16 and 103 7-16, respectively, in both positions. On the following day the market opened at 103½ for 3½ per Cents for cash, and 103 3/8 for the settlement at the end of this month, from which rates a decline of 1/8 per cent. was established, 103 3/8 having been quoted for Money; and 103½ for Account, with buyers at this rate, and sellers at 103 5-16, at which level the market left off, with a firm feeling. The feeling was steady throughout the day on Thursday at an advance of 1-8 per cent. on the opening rates for 3½ per Cents of 103 7-16 for Money, and 103 5-16 for Account, closing quotations having been 103 9-16 and 103 7-16 in the two positions, respectively. To-day the market has been firm and rates for 3½ per Cents have advanced to 103⅝ for Money, and 103½ for Account.

Municipal 5 per cent. Loan is 2 per cent. lower at 123. Port Trust Bonds have advanced ¼ per cent. to 107.

SHARES.—The late activity in Cotton Mill Scrip in this market has not been revived during the present week; but the feeling, though quiet, has been steady and comparatively few changes in price have taken place; what movement, however, that there has been, has favoured sellers. Compared with our quotations of last Friday evening, we have to report an advance of Rs. 50 in Madras United Cotton Mill shares; of Rs. 25 in Indian Manufacturing; of Rs. 20 in Swadeshi; of Rs. 15 each in Alliance, Connaught, James Greaves, and Sunderdas; of Rs. 10 each in Central India, City of Bombay, David, Hyderabad, and Queen; of Rs. 12½ in Manockji Petit; and Rs. 2½ in Luckmidas; while Anglo-Indian have declined Rs. 3 per share. Volkart's Press shares have advanced Rs. 25; Mofussil Rs. 15; and New Berar, Rs. 5. Bombay-Burma Trading are Rs. 50 higher in the first issue, and Rs. 15 in the others. Treacher and Co. have advanced Rs. 5; Marcks and Co. Rs. 4 per share.

IMPORTS.

PIECE-GOODS.—We have to report a slight increase in the demand for staple *Grey Goods* for the Delhi and Cawnpore markets. The general enquiry, however, is moderate, and, if anything a little below the average for the time of year. Dealers are willing sellers at current rates. Stocks are just the same as they were last week. In *Bleached, Dyed, Turkey Red*, and *Printed Goods*, there has been no change during the week. Narrow widths of *Locally-Made* Goods of all descriptions, command attention; and large and small red bordered and plain *Dhotars* have been in demand. *Chadars* are doing well. The total clearances of *Imported Goods* during the week have been about 3,709 packages; and of *Local* 2,100 bales.

YARNS.—There has been but a small demand for *Imported Twist* during the week, and the tone of the market has been quiet; but prices are all unchanged. Sales of *Bombay Spinnings* in China for the fortnight ending on Tuesday morning aggregated about 6,000 bales. Exchange having receded to Rs. 186; and China buyers are out of the market, a spinner came out as a seller of 1,500 bales of No. 16s (1,000 ready), but was offered 1/8 anna less per lb than the previous rate, and the lot has not yet been sold. The week's Sales are estimated at only 700 bales; and the market closed quiet at the following official quotations:—

Twist ...	... No. 6s	Mule, As.	4 3-16	to 4 7-16 per lb.
" ...	... " 8s	" "	4 3-8	" 4 5-8 "
" ...	... " 10s	" "	4 5-8	" 4 7-8 "
" ...	... " 12s	" "	4¾	" 5 1-16 "
" ...	... " 16s	" "	5 7-16	" 5¾ "
" ...	... " 20s	" "	5 11-16	" 5 7-8 "
" ...	... " 24s	" "	6¼	" 6 1-16 "
" ...	... " 30s	" "	7	" 7 1-8 "
" ...	... " 40s	" "	8¼	

METALS.—An advance of 4 to 6 annas per cwt. has taken place in the price of *Copper*, the market for which has been firm. *Yellow Metal* has been steady at our last quotations, with but a small enquiry. *Iron* has also been in limited demand, but is steady at previous rates.

COAL is a very firm market, and large sales have been made, for November-December shipment, of *Cardiff*, at an average of Rs. 18¾ per ton. Forward *Powell's Duffryn*, for December-January shipment has also been placed at Rs. 17½ to Rs. 18 per ton; and *Davison's West Hartley* at from Rs. 17¼ to Rs. 17¾ per ton. The Bunder Stock is greatly reduced, and Bunder prices for *Powell's* and *Davison's* are Rs. 20 and Rs. 18 per ton, respectively.

EXPORTS.

COTTON.—The market for this staple has remained steady, when not actually firm during the past week, and prices have advanced Re. 1 to Rs. 3 per candy on several days; but no business, either ready or forward, has been reported for exporters' account. The Mills, however, have been rather larger buyers than of late, and have done some 8,000 bales, partly ready old and new Oomra descriptions, old Dhollera-Bhownugger, Oompta and Dharwar; and contracts for Oomra growth, of the new crop, for December-January delivery. This evening the market closed firm, with prices higher by Rs. 3 to Rs. 5 per candy than they were a week ago.

The receipts of Cotton of the new crop during the past week have been 2,950 bales compared with 1,350 bales to hand during the week preceding, and 10,000 bales in the corresponding week last season he arrivals this year of the new crop being 7,050 tales less than in 1893 for the same time.

The seasonable weather, which was reported by last Thursday's official telegrams to have set in over the Cotton area, had meantime continued, according to Monday morning's messages, and the crop was benefitting by the change; though early arrivals at Dhollera, in the Oomra circle, where picking had become general, and Cotton was coming to market in small quantities, will show black leaf; and the dew fall was insufficient in this district, and at Barsee in the same circle. It was reported from Broach that the Cotton crop could scarcely look better than it did; and in all the districts of the Dhollera circle the plants continued to flourish; and were advanced in flower, and showings bolls at Wadwan.

Yesterday morning's official weather and crop reports by wire advised a continuance of fine weather throughout the Cotton-growing districts, an insufficient dewfall at Dhulia in the Oomra circle; and at Wadwan, in the Dhollera circle, having been the only complaints received; while picking was general in most of the districts of th Bengal and Oomra circle; and the plants were flourishing in others. The Barsee crop is estimated to be a 75 per cent. one.

The following are to-day's quotations for fully-pressed Cotton with the equivalents in sterling, cost, and freight to Liverpool, *via* Canal, without commission, viz.:—

Cotton—	Per candy.—C. & F. Rs.	Per lb. 134—2 21-32d.
Bengal Fine January		
Do. F. G.	"	138—2 34-1.
Do. Good	"	130—2 1-1.
Bolatee, Fine	"	157—2 11-16d.
Do. Fully Good	"	147—2 17-32d.
Khandeish, Fully Good, January	"	149—2 9-16d.
Oomra F. Good, January and Feb.	"	154—2 21-32d.
Dhollera, Fine, April	"	169—2 29-32 d.
Do. F. G.	"	159—2 3d.
Do. Good	"	152—2 19-32d.
S'd Dharwar, Good, May	"	153—2 15-16d.
Westerns " June	"	157—2 11-16d.
Broach Fine " March	"	183—3 1-16d.
Do. Good	"	175—2 31-32d.

The arrivals of New Crop Cotton into Bombay this season, as compared with last, are as follows:—

	Season. 1894-95. F. P. Bales.	Season. 1893-94. F. P. Bales.
Bengals	100	11,200
Berar	3,000	3,300
Khandeish	1,200	7,500
Total	4,300	22,000

The movements of Cotton to date show the following comparison with the previous two years:—

Receipts.	1894. Bales.	1893. Bales.	1892. Bales.
For the week	6,193	12,675	12,63
From 1st January to 22nd Nov	1,558,338	1,601,777	1,614,357
Clearances to Great Britain and Continent.			
For the week		1,021	6,118
From 1st January to 22nd Nov	961,335	795,322	905,816
Clearances to Calcutta, China, &c.			
For the week	1,123	1,301	1,801
From 1st January to 22nd Nov.	151,923	154,873	153,334

WHEAT only maintained its firmer tone for a day or two after the departure of last mail, when the feeling became steady, with business for shippers' account upon a moderate scale; and latterly, the market has resumed its former quiet tone, and transactions have again been very limited. We quote:—

White Pessy, 91 per cent.	Rs. 3	14 0	per cwt.
Do. 85 "	" 3	12 0	"
No. 1 Club Delhi	" 3	13 0	"
Red Delhi	" 3	6 0	"
Hard Yellow	" 3	12 0	"
Red Ahmedabad	" 3	7 0	"
Hard Red	" 3	6 0	"

SEEDS, on the other hand, remained a firm market, though without more than a moderate export business passing, but at an advance of 1 anna per cwt. in *Rapeseed*, and two annas on *Linseed*, until yesterday, when the feeling became quiet again, and a small business was done by exporters, a part of the previous advance in the price of *Linseed* being lost. We quote this evening:—

Linseed	Rs. 7-14-0 to Rs. 8-0-0 per cwt
Rapeseed, Yellow, Finest	" 6-1-0 to " 6-3-0 "
Do. do. Cawnpore	" 5-14-0 to " 5-15-0 "
Do. Red do.	" 5-11-0 to " 5-14-0 "
Gingelly, White	" 42-0-0 per cdy.
Do. Mixed	" 40-0-0 "

The Comparative Imports of Wheat and Seeds are as follows:—

	1894. cwts.	1893. cwts.	1892. cwts.
Wheat for the week	62,763	83,177	92,541
Do. from 1st Jan. to 22nd November	3,293,903	6,239,473	9,723,773
Linseed for the week	24,233	24,803	44,996
Do. from 1st Jan. to 22nd November	5,223,917	4,123,059	3,712,719
Rapeseed for the week	5,793	6,439	39,100
Do. from 1st Jan. to 22nd November	3,342,783	4,218,632	1,730,443
Gingellyseed for the week	46,628	79,004	56,491
Do. from 1st Jan. to 22nd November	912,193	1,254,356	1,006,596

The Clearances of Wheat and Seeds to Great Britain and Continent are as follows:—

	1894. cwts.	1893. cwts.	1892. cwts.
Wheat for the week	...	26,504	54,208
Do. from 1st Jan. to 22nd November	1,555,048	4,660,898	8,985,387
Linseed for the week	25,259	19,479	29,057
Do. from 1st Jan. to 22nd November	5,253,009	3,937,844	3,549,934
Rapeseed for the week	7,589	...	38,723
Do. from 1st Jan. to 22nd November	3,210,291	3,067,369	1,582,959
Gingellyseed for the week	33,671	20,427	11,104
Do from 1st Jan. to 22nd November	972,834	1,235,232	1,028,765

FOREIGN TELEGRAPHIC SERVICE.

Latest dates of foreign messages received at Bombay, from the United Kingdom, during the 24 hours ending at 8 p.m., of the 23rd November, 1894. (Difference in Longitude allowed for.)

Via.	Latest Dates. D.	H.	M.	Time occupied in transmission. Hours.	Minutes.
Turkey	17	4	45 p.m.	126	37
Teheran	23	12	35 p.m.	...	24
Suez	23	2	50 p.m.	...	14

Time occupied in the transmission of messages to Bombay during the 24 hours ending 8 p.m., of the 23rd November, 1894.

	Maximum Time. H.	M.	Minimum Time. H.	M.
From Calcutta	...	45	...	1
" Karachi	...	17	...	1
" Madras	...	29	...	1

TELEGRAPHIC LINE REPORT.

NOVEMBER 23.

STATE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION.

GREAT BRITAIN.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey, perfect. Via Suez, perfect.

CONTINENT OF EUROPE.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey, perfect. Via Suez, perfect.

AMERICA.—Via Brest, perfect. Via Valentia, perfect. Via Direct Cable, perfect.

AUSTRALIA.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect.

CHINA.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect.

AFRICA.—Via Aden, perfect. Via Cadiz-Tenerife, perfect. Via Lisbon St. Vincent, perfect.

Cable Zanzibar-Mombassa interrupted.

Owing to derangement of Aden Cables, telegrams, for that locality will be passed on by Chinese land lines from Hong-kong and Poochow at Sender's risk.

Communication with all British South Africa Company's offices except Ramontsa, and Gaberones, Mochuli and Pala interrupted.

THE BOMBAY GAZETTE OVERLAND SUMMARY.

(Compiled for despatch by the Weekly Mail to Europe.)

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[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

THE CHINO-JAPANESE WAR.

THE CHINESE PEACE OVERTURES.

DEPARTURE OF HERR DETRING FOR JAPAN.

LONDON, Nov. 22.

Reuter's correspondent at Tientsin telegraphs that Herr Detring, the Commissioner of the Imperial Maritime Customs of China, and who is of German nationality, has started for Japan to make overtures of peace on behalf of the Chinese Government.

BOMBARDMENT OF PORT ARTHUR.

REPULSE OF THE JAPANESE.

LONDON, Nov. 23.

Telegrams have been received here stating that there has been a continuous heavy firing at Port Arthur since noon of 20th inst.

The Japanese made four determined attacks to carry that arsenal by assault.

In the first attempt the Japanese drove in the Chinese troops defending the outposts, but in the three subsequent attacks the Chinese were successful in repulsing the Japanese.

The Japanese Admiral has warned an English ship anchored at Port Arthur to clear from the harbour as the Japanese fleet intended to open fire on the place on the 21st idem.

THE NEW MARSHALS.

Her Majesty the Queen presented to General Stewart and Wolseley their Marshals' *batons* at a function held for the purpose at Windsor to-day.

REBUFF OF LIVERPOOL AND GLASGOW SHIPOWNERS.

A deputation of Liverpool and Glasgow Shipowners waited to-day upon the Directors of the North-Western Railway, to urge the necessity of reducing the railway freights from Liverpool to Manchester in order to compete with the Manchester Ship Canal Company.

The Chairman of the Railway, in his reply, positively refused to entertain the suggestion.

THE MAILS.

SUEZ, Nov. 22.

The s. s. Himalaya, with the English mails of the 7th instant, left here at 2 p.m., to-day.

THE LAHORE DURBAR.

FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, Nov. 23.

Lahore is filling fast, most of the regiments for the camp have already arrived or are arriving :—the 4th and Q Batteries, R. H. A. ; the 58th, 68th, 71st and 72nd, A., 11th and 18th Hussars ; 9th, 15th, 18th, and 20th Bengal Cavalry, the Buffs, the Norfolks, the Somerset Light Infantry, Seaforth Highlanders, Gordon Highlanders, Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders, 20th Punjab Infantry Depot, the 4th Pioneers, the 36th Sikhs, 28th Punjab Infantry, 2nd Battalion 1st Ghoorkhas, and 1st and 2nd Battalions 4th Ghoorkhas. The following Imperial Service Troops of the Patiala Lancers, Bahawalpore, Jhind, Nabha, Kapurthala and Faridkot, each one squadron of Lancers, the Sidmur Sappers, the Patiala Infantry, Bahawalpur, Faridkot, Jhind, Nabha, Kapurthala, all have sent an Infantry Regiment to the Camp, all Cavalry and Infantry have been drilling and preparing for a march-past. H. E. the Viceroy and Sir George White's camp are both forward in preparation and remarkably well laid out and arranged. Sir George arrives to-morrow, as also the Madras Commander-in-Chief. The hour of the Viceroy's arrival is not yet notified. The following will be the guests of Sir George White :—General Mansfield Clarke, Madras Commander-in-Chief, the Lieutenant Governor of the Punjab ; General Sanford, Commanding Meerut District ; General Luck ; Commanding the Quetta District ; Sir Lockhart ; General Badcock, Commissary General-in-Chief, General Kinloch, Peshawar District ; General Gatacre, Bombay District, Lord William Beresford, Colonel Deane, Captains Bingham and Kekewith, the Madras Commander-in-Chief's Staff. In addition to these there are officers of Army head-quarters Staff, Generals Galbraith and Stedman, Colonel Hutchinson and personal staff, namely, Captains Herbert, Good, Knew, Stuart, Gough, Watson, Roberts, Nelson, Lockhart, Bond, and Nixon, Deputy Adjutant-General, General Lewis, I. G. A., and Brigade-Major Captain Johnston, R. A., will arrive to-morrow. General Grant, I. G. Cavalry and Brigade Major Angelo are here. The former inspects the 4th Bengal Lancers to-day and to-morrow the Regiments. It is very dusty here, but the sky is clouded over. If rain falls the damage and inconvenience will be serious.

THE PRESIDENCY RIFLE ASSOCIATION MEETING.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, Nov. 23.

The shooting at the range continues to be good, and a decided advance over the last year. Private Gelston, Loyal North Lancashire Regiment, made a phenomenal score of 33 out of 35, at 500 yards, rapid firing, being six points above the second man. He leads the aggregate list of the second stage of the British Championship, winning the Association silver medal and Rs. 50. In the third stage Sergeant Freeman, G. H. Ry. Volunteers, made a possible, at 600 yards, and 33 points at 700. Corporal Koolman, K. O. Y. L. I., made 34 points, at 600 yards ; Lieutenant Sargent, 14th Bombay Infantry, made 33 points, at 700 yards. In the grand total of the first and second stages of the Championship Match, Corporal McKenna, Lancashire Fusiliers, leads with 157 points, Sergeant Major Howes, Leinster Regiment, second with 150 points. Havildar Shaik Kassum, 28th Bombay Pioneers, wins the S. I. R. A. silver medal and Rs. 30 for 62 points—the highest aggregate in the second stage of the native championship match, Risaldar Anowar Khan, Poona Horse, wins the carbine championship for the best aggregate score. In the first and second stages of the championship match his score at the four distances was 115

BOMBAY ARMY ORDERS.

H. E. the Commander-in-Chief has been pleased to make the following appointments :—

8th Bombay Infantry—Lieutenant Fellows, 2nd Battalion South Lancashire Regiment, who has been appointed as probationer for the Indian Staff Corps in the Bombay Presidency, to officiate as wing officer, on probation.

1st Bombay Infantry—Surgeon-Lieutenant Leumann, Indian Medical Service, to officiate in medical charge during the absence of Surgeon-Captain Arnim, Indian Medical Service.

12th Bombay Infantry—Surgeon-Lieutenant Bennett, Indian Medical Service, to officiate in medical charge, during the absence of Surgeon-Major Briggs, Indian Medical Service.

28th Bombay Infantry—Lieutenant Moore, officiating wing officer, to be wing officer, *vice* Lieutenant Hancock.

The following addition is made to the Bombay Army Order, No. 159, appointing Captain Baddeley to be Station Staff Officer, Kirkee :—After words " in addition to his own duties " insert words " no qualified officer being available for station staff duties alone."

Captain R. Cashel, 2nd Battalion, King's Own Yorkshire Light infantry, will be attached to the Military Accounts Department, from the 19th instant.

Under instructions from his Excellency the Commander-in-Chief in India, Lieutenant Boyd has been directed to re-join the 2nd Battalion Gloucestershire Regiment.

Under instructions from Adjutant-General, Horse Guards, Captain Stable, Loyal North Lancashire Regiment, is directed to proceed to England, to join the 2nd Battalion of his Regiment.

Lieutenant Tighe, R. A., is attached to No. 21 Company Eastern Division, R.A., pending orders from Horse Guards as to his final posting.

It is notified that a naval and military tournament will be held in Bombay from Monday, 17th December, to Thursday, 20th December, 1894 inclusive. His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief desires that every facility may be given to officers and men who wish to take part in the tournament.

The undermentioned officer has been granted leave of absence by his Royal Highness the Commander-in-Chief :—Leinster Regiment (1st Bn.)—Lieutenant Pollard, to remain in England from 26th November, 1894, to 17th January, 1895, on medical certificate, in extension.

The undermentioned Officers have been granted leave of absence :—Quarter Master General's Department.—Brigadier-General Hogg, Quarter Master General, privilege leave in India from 24th November, 1894, to 22nd January, Royal Artillery.

Lieutenant Tighe, attached to No. 21 Company Eastern Division, to England, for twelve months, from the date of departure, on urgent private affairs.

Royal Fusiliers (1st Battalion)—2nd Lieutenant Ireland to sea for two months, on medical certificate.

THE BELUCH-AFGHAN BOUNDARY COMMISSION.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, Nov. 23.

The delimitation of the Baluch-Afghan boundary is nearing completion, 250 miles of the boundary being marked. The mission has reached the limit of the Zhob District now, and are commencing the delimitation of the Quetta District. They are now encamped on the Kadanai river, north of Toba. Cold is intense, 37 degrees of frost have been registered. The health of all is excellent. General Lockhart left Dera Ismail Khan to-day for Lahore, where he will lay all information regarding the situation of Waziristan before the Viceroy, when the question of the punitive expedition will be finally settled.

THE LONGITUDE BETWEEN ENGLAND AND INDIA.

Arrangements are being made in the Survey Department for the final determination of the difference of the longitude by telegraph between England and India. It is now intended to check the value taken in 1874 and 1877 by observations on the overland line, the stations being Karachi, Jask, Bushire, Tehran, Kertch or Odessa in Russia, Emden in Germany, and Greenwich and Lowestoft in England.

THE ARMY CUP.

The following is the result of the Race for the Army Cup, run at Lucknow, last evening, the most important race in Northern India :—

Captain A len's Shah III, 10st. 9lb.	1
Major Smith Dorrien's Shannon, 9st 10lb. ...	2
Colonel Beawer's Bourbon, 10st. 2lbs.	3

Bourbon was the favourite, starting at evens. The winner started at 20 to 1 against. Time, 1 minute and 42 secs. Distance, 7 furlongs.

THE BARODA COMMISSION-OF-ENQUIRY.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

BARODA, Nov. 23

The prosecution to-day put in certain execution proceedings and examined the city munsif's clerk to show that, on the 17th March, 1894, on which day Rs. 160, debited in one of Bapat's benami accounts, Rs. 159-8-3 were tendered by Bapat's relative Madhavrao, to raise an attachment for which he was surety.

Mr. Branson stated that the Government did not intend to submit any more cases against Bapat, but this they did only to save time and public money as the inquiry already extended to two months. The State would reserve the full right to deal with Bapat as it might be advised as to the remaining charges and other cases against him not submitted before the Commission. Mr. Khare then applied for one month's time at least for preparation and for leave to file a written defence at the end of the case. Mr. Branson submitted that ten days were more than enough, and the defence must be filed before exhibiting evidence. The court allowed twelve days, and ordered the defence to be filed at the commencement of the defence evidence with liberty to Mr. Khare to sum up his evidence. After the passing of this order Mr. Khare said the time was insufficient and offered to proceed on Monday. The Commissioners said that the order is already passed. The Commission adjourned to 6th December after forty-one sittings and hearing twelve cases.

A STRAY BURMESE BOAT.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, Nov. 23.

The Asiatic Company's steamer Shahjehan, which arrived here to-day, reports the picking up, off the Andamans, of a Burmese boat. The occupants four in number have been ten days without food. All are fairly well, except one man, who is in a state of collapse, but now he is slowly recovering.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

LONDON, Nov. 22.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Macpherson arrived here this morning.

ADEN, Nov. 22.

The B. I. S. N. Company's steamer Avoca left here this afternoon.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, Nov. 22.

The Liverpool Cotton market closed quiet. Surats firm.

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The Manchester market has had rather more inquiry.

2½ per cent. Consols	103
3 per cent. Reduced	101⅞
3½ per cent. Sterling Loan	112
3½ per cent. Rupee Paper.....	56⅛
Bar Silver	28 7-8

The sum of about £125,000 has been withdrawn from the Bank of England.

The Bank of England Returns for the week ending yesterday show the following results :—Total bullion £35,000,000, decrease, £600,000 ; public deposits, £5,000,000, decrease, £100,000 ; other deposits £35,800,000, decrease, £1,300,000 ; other securities, £18,600,000, increase, £300,000 ; notes and gold, £26,700,000, decrease, £200,000. The Bank's Reserve is 65 per cent. of the Liabilities

PASSENGERS BY THE HOMEWARD MAIL.

The P. and O. Co.'s s. s. Clyde, Capt. C. F. Preston, will sail to-day for London and Brindisi, with the English Mails and the following passengers :—

FOR LONDON.

Patterson, Brig-Surg-Col and Mrs Ameon, two infants and ayah
Baker, Mrs F J
Hickie, Mr
Jolly, Mr T S
Joyner, Mr R B
Lanage, Mr R H
Thompson, Miss E

FOR BRINDISI.

Baker, Capt D
Baker, Mr J W
Bayley, the Hon Mr Justice
Campbell, Capt F
Day, Butler
FitzGera'd, Mr P S V
Gresham, Mr
Lander, Mr A W
Oliver, Mrs E E
Straton, Capt W C R

FOR ADEN.—Ford, Lieut C and servant.

The following passages have been engaged :—

Per ss Carthage, Captain M de Horne, 1st December, 1894.
For London—Mrs Warburton ; Mr and Mrs L A Butcher ; Miss Butcher ; Mr and Mrs E W Baker, infant and nurse ; Mrs Nedhom and child ; Miss Macleod ; Sir Harry Stewart ; Mr A Sheown ; and Mr and Mrs T N Armstrong, child, sister and friend.
Per ss Thames, Captain W A Seaton, 8th December, 1894.
For London—Surg-Capt and Mrs Hindmarsh.
For Brindisi—Mrs Lloyd and infant ; and Capt Ponsonby.
Per ss Ganges, Capt T Creery, 15th December 1894.
For Brindisi—Mr and Mrs Bayley and 2 children ; Lieut-Col and Mrs Miller ; and Mr Justice Cosby.
For London—Mrs Cruish.
Per ss a Clyde, Captain C F Preston, 22nd December, 1894.
For London—Col H Grey ; Mr and Miss Gray ; and Mr Lewis Westmacott.
Per ss a Caledonia, Capt W B Andrews, 12th January 1895.
For Marseilles—Mrs Muir, infant and maid ; and Mr E Hosking
Per ss a Peninsular, Capt H F Briscoe, 26th January 1895.
For London—Mrs and Miss Whiteside, child and 2 infts.
Per ss a Carthage, Capt M de Horne, 23rd February 1895.
For London—Mr and Mrs J E Gill ; Mrs Sparkles, 2 children and nurse ; and Mrs H M Lawrie and inft.
Per ss a Thames, Capt W A Seaton, 2nd March 1895.
For London—Mrs S S Brittain.
Per ss a Sutlej, Capt W J Nantes, 9th March 1895.
For London—Mrs Smyth and child ; Miss Smith ; Mr R C Dyers ; Rev and Mrs J G Hawker ; 2 Misses Hawker and Mr and Mrs F L Sprott, nurse, child and inft.
Per ss a Caledonia, Capt W B Andrews, 23rd March, 1895.
For Marseilles—Mr and Mrs J B Alcock, child nurse and inft ; Mr and Mrs L Marshall ; Mr G Leslie Smith ; Mr and Mrs A J Kerr ; Mrs Fawley-Willmot and inft ; Miss Fearn ; Mrs Bonham child, infant and nurse ; Mrs Harris; Mr H Morgan Brown; Mr Earle ; and Miss Earle.
For Brindisi—Mr A W Wyatt ; and Mr A Reese.
Per ss a Peninsular, Capt H F Briscoe, 16th April 1895.
For London—Miss Ward ; Col and Mrs J R Marrett ; and 2 Misses Marrett.
For Brindisi—Mr and Mrs Regr Beech.
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Per ss Peninsular, Capt H F Briscoe, 16th April 1895.
For Marseilles—Mrs G Mackenzie and child ; Mr R N Coghlan ; and Mrs Dick Lander.
For London—Mr and Mrs G F GiFerbee, 3 children, 2 infts and nurse.
Per ss a Shannon, Capt E Crewe, 20th April 1895.
For London—Mr R Grant Brown.
Per ss a Caledonia, Capt W B Andrews, 4th May 1895.
For Brindisi—Mr H R Warner.

CHOLERA has abated in Mandalay, and the troops are allowed free access to the town.

There are so many good stories to'd of the late Father Healy that it would be really a pity they should not be collected, and so—writes a correspondent—will you allow me to set the ball a rolling? His best sayings were his casual ones, and it was the stray companion who often came in for his happiest retorts. One Protestant, with a polemical turn of mind, got a singularly humorous answer to a rather unfortunate question. The eternity of punishment was under discussion, and purgatory, of course, figured in the argument. "Now, which would you rather go to—purgatory or to hell?" said the one disputant. "To the former, on account of the climate."—Father Healy is reported to have replied—"but to the latter on account of the company. I am so fond of Protestants." Another story, in which another Dublin humorist bore his part, had for its scene one of the French wateringplaces, Vichy or Royat, where a lot of company of all countries were collected. The superstition and subservience of the Irish was under discussion, and Father Healy was asked whether it was a fact that a Roman Catholic peasant would prostrate himself before a cardinal. "Indeed it is," he said "and I remember doing so myself the last time I met Cardinal Cullen. It was in the throne-room of Dublin Castle, and when I saw him I went down upon my knees. I am bound to say"—he added meditatively—"that when he met me afterwards in Eustace-street he stopped me, and said, 'What the blazes did you do that for?" It was here that the other Dublin wit joined in : "Well, Father Healy, of course we all know you, and that whatever you say is always true. But all I can say is that I have known the Cardinal twenty years, and, drunk or sober, I never heard him make use of such an expression." This wild obstreperous humour, with a sort of generous recklessness about it, was what made Father Healy a delightful companion. He never prepared his impromptus, thou a great many [who heard them improved them.

ODDS AND ENDS.

(FROM OUR LADY CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, Nov. 1.

It used to be said in the long long ago of our schooldays that the bar, the pulpit, and the stage were the best authorities on correct forms of speech. I do not know if men shall go to court, or church, or theatre for the purpose of learning English grammar; but I am certain that women frequent all the three places with a view to studying the fashions. A matrimonial *cause celebre* or a fashionable charity sermon is the best opportunity in the world to see the newest creations of the *modiste* for walking costume, while for evening or morning dress, cycling or yachting suits, in fact anything from a presentation gown to a footman's livery, there is no place like the theatre. The modern drama is in truth got up as much for the purpose of displaying what a manager can do in realistic properties and gorgeous costumes as in histrionic ability. The fire of dramatic eloquence even may burn very low indeed provided the gas or paraffin fire in the heroine's sitting room looks lively enough to consume a stolen will, or batch of illicit love-letters.

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One actress, Miss Kate Rorke, protests against this submerging of an *artiste* in her trousseau. She believes in her art rather than her wardrobe, and in playing her parts, always sacrifices her love of pretty clothes, and wears the quietest dresses, especially in pathetic scenes, rather than distract the audience's attention from her acting to her appearance. Womenfolk, she thinks, are a little too apt to attend only to the smart frocks, and the effect produced by them especially when an actress comes each time on the stage in a different and perhaps more striking dress than the last—not a doubt about it. We must all cry *mea culpa*. But who led us first into temptation?

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Gossip about Mr. Justice Huntley McCarthy's child-bride is kept alive by a music hall song with a comic refrain. Oh Cissy why have you left us? The answer according to people who profess to know is that Miss Cissy Loftus, though earning £80 a week was only allowed two shillings pocket money by her prudent parent. Consequently she married Mr. J. H. McCarthy to better herself. Now Mr. Augustin Daly pays her a larger salary than he has given to any leading lady, except Miss Ada Rehan. Mrs. McCarthy, notwithstanding her status as a married woman, is still contented to play the child under her husband's management. At the theatre lately she wore her hair hanging loose on her shoulders, and simply tied back with a white ribbon gillet and a baby bow, and looked scarcely fifteen.

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Miss Jeffreys Lewis is an actress of note in the States—not so much for her playing or her costumes as for her recent discovery of a marvellous effective cure for excessive fat. The new remedy which Miss Lewis advocates is to chew gum—never the same piece twice, save the mark! and to drink only skim milk. Those who have tried this wonderful combination say that "within a week after undertaking the treatment a fat woman begins to shrink like a hot-air balloon after the parachute jumper lets go. In two weeks more she has her dresses taken in, and at the end of three months, the lady who was afraid to cross weak bridges trips along as blithely as a ballet girl on pay-day."

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It was in order to be able to appear as the slender young heroine of a new play "Church and Stage" that Miss Lewis determined to get down her weight. The most gifted dramatist in the world could not in her opinion fit a 200lb. lady into this role with satisfaction. So she went in for treatment scientifically. She took a course of athletics, she sprinted round tracks, she swung Indian clubs, she lifted weights, she rowed boats, she took long country walks, she sported in a tank like a playful porpoise. All to no purpose. Instead of losing weight she gained at the rate of 5 lbs. per week. "My face was getting dreadfully fat," she said, "when I tried those walks. I did not care so much for my form but the folding jowls," (American cane for double chins), "worried me. So I got a heavy woollen sweater which came up to my ears and then pulled a thick Tam O'Shanter cap down over my face. I also put on a heavy woollen skirt and thus attired on the hottest days walked a distance of about seven miles. Then after the tramp I rolled in the surf for an hour or so, restricting myself in diet to lean undercone meat. All in vain. I never gained less than five pounds a week, and often it was seven.

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Last Christmas the happy inspiration came to Miss Lewis to try milk and gum as a regimen; and so soon had the *modiste* engaged in taking in reefs and tucks in her garments. "It required will power," says the originator of this new anti-fat crusade, "to give up the good things of this life for skim milk by the spoonful, but I had to do it, or give up the stage. Solid food has no temptation for me now, and I can sit at the dinner table and take my milk without a sigh. The amount of milk consumed by people dieting themselves on this system is two quarts each in the twenty-four hours. The drink is taken in small quantities at intervals of an-hour—the intervening time being occupied in the mastication of gum which excites the salivary glands. The cream is not imbibed but is used as a face lotion. The result in Miss Lewis's case is admirable. Her complexion is perfect and her skin shows no sign of the rapid reduction of adipose tissue which people imagine always results in wrinkles. If skim milk is not to be had, lime water added to new milk is equally satisfactory.

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There is a fortune of £4,000 and odd pounds going abegging in Bristol through the carelessness of a photographer in not entering particulars of his clients carefully. The name of that guilty man is unpublished, but here is the story told by his successor in trade how he marred one of the most romantic episodes of a young lady's life by his unbusinesslike habits. "One day a gentleman of about forty walked into the shop, purchased the photograph of a young lady, which was exhibited in the shop window, and having enquired her name and address—which the photographer was unable to give him, having only recently purchased the business, and the books were muddled—left the shop after informing the proprietor that he would give £20 to any one who discovered her. After that he took the most active steps to find her without avail. He died five years ago unmarried, and in his will left a legacy of £4,000 to the nameless young lady whose photograph he had purchased, to go to her if she were found within seven years of his death. Money was also left to the executors to enable them to prosecute the search for her. More than five years now remain, and that lady has never been discovered. Doesn't it make you all wish you had invested a guinea in having your photograph taken in Bristol a decade or so ago?

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One of the latest additions to the ranks of progressive womankind is a young lady from Beyrouth, Fannitza Abdue Sultana Nalide who is determined to obtain educational honours in England and America, studying at the same time the peoples, the systems of Government, and occidental methods of doing things. Having done so she will return to Syria where her family has for centuries been ruling force. Miss Fannitza will enter her name on the books of Harvard College at once, and will no doubt win the honours she covets for though only nineteen she has already mastered the Arabian, Assyrian, Greek, Latin, French, German, and English languages.

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Many people will remember the discovery some years ago of a poem "Leonainie" attributed to Edgar Allan Poe. It was written on the fly-leaf of an old copy of Addison's Latin dictionary, and the story told of how it came there was that the careless young poet being hardup for ready cash to pay his score at an inn where he had stayed over night wrote the verses, his only marketable commodity, as a merchant would write a cheque to discharge his liability. It is only now when James Whitcomb. Riley has published his new volume of verses that the true fact that it was a daring literary hoax has come out. Early in his career James Whitcomb Riley was not any better appreciated than the general run of minor poets. To test if his verses would have been well received if they had appeared under the name or some already famous author, he wrote "Leonainie" in imitation of Poe, and it was rapturously received, and no doubt was expressed as to its authenticity by either American or English reviewers. To-day "Leonaine" appears amongst the miscellaneous collection of verse to which he has given the strange name of "Armazindy" after the girl heroine of the principal poem ; but all the glory of composing it cannot be given to Riley, for the weirdness of the fancy, the mystic symbolism, and the quaint rhythm of the verse are essentially Poe's, and to his originality must be given the credit of inspiring it.

"Leonainie"

Leonainie—Angels named her ;
And they took the light
Of the laughing stars and framed her.
In a smile of white ;
And they made her hair of gloomy
Midnight, and her eyes of bloomy
Moonshine, and they brought her to me
In the Solemn night—
In a Solemn night of summer,
When my heart of gloom
Blossomed up to greet the comer
Like a rose in bloom ;
All forebodings that distressed me
I forgot as joy caressed me—
(Lying Joy ! that caught and pressed me
In the arms of doom !)
Only spoke the little lisper
In the angel tongue
Yet I, listening heard her whisper—
"Songs are only sung
Here below that they may grieve you—
Tales but told you to deceive you—
So must Leonainie leave you
While her love is young."
Then God smiled and it was morning
Matchless and supreme,
Heaven's glory seemed adorning
Earth with its esteem ;
Every heart but mine seemed gifted
With the voice of prayer, and lifted
Where my Leonainie drifted
From me like a dream.

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Here is the preface to "Armazindy" in the dialect style, which is all J. Whitcomb Riley's own :—

"'Bout once a year Jim Riley writes a book o'verse to sell,
An'the folks 'at buys it reads it, an' 'ey likes it mighty well ;
His pomes are plain 'nd common, like the folks 'emselves, I guess
With a dreamin' music in 'em 'nd a sort er tenderness
'At creeps into the heart 'nd makes it somehow beat in time
With the fancy of the poet 'nd the ripple of his rhyme ;
So you who like the po'try you c'n read 'nd think about
Will be glad to hear 'at Riley's got a new book out."

THE PILGRIM TRADE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Although perhaps a little late in the day, I must ask you to let me say a few words in connection with the report (without date), which Messrs. Thomas Cook and Son have sent in to the Government of India, and which you discussed some weeks ago in a leading article in your paper. Pressure of business prevented me from writing to you ere this, and I should not have troubled you now but for an insinuation of a personal nature against me in the said report, to which my attention was drawn some days ago, and which is as uncalled for as it is devoid of truth. However angry or disappointed Mr. Cook may feel at the discontinuance of his Pilgrim Agency by Government, I do not think he had any justification in stating what he does in the last para. of his report to the Government of India (Home Department : Sanitary), manifestly about myself. He says : "I have also the fact that a Mahomedan member of the present Governor-General's Council has been many years interested in the shipping of pilgrims, and through the arrangements of my firm, he, with his colleagues, have had to accept much lower rates for the conveyance of pilgrims. Therefore, if his opinion was taken, that might to a great extent account for the unsatisfactory phraseology of the before-mentioned letter of November 28, 1893. Now, Sir, I beg to say that the above statement is utterly untrue, and I have never directly or indirectly tried to influence the Government in any way against Messrs. Thomas Cook and Son. As regards the statement that myself and my colleagues (I am not quite certain who are meant) were compelled to accept lower rates for pilgrims, owing to Messrs. Thomas Cook and Son's arrangement with the Government, I have to say that it is completely wide of the truth, and recklessly made, simply I think, in order to found an argument upon. It is well known that my firm's vessels are seldom employed in the pilgrim trade, and we have rarely, if ever, placed a boat on the berth ourselves, but have occasionally given one on charter, and in such cases the rate generally has been lower than Rs. 30 and Rs. 35, which Messrs. Thomas Cook and Son claim to have always charged themselves. I have taken the trouble to enquire of men experienced in the trade and they all agree in testifying that the rate, of Rs. 30 or Rs. 35 for single and Rs. 50 for return passage to the Hedjaz, is above, and not below, the usually prevalent rate. Mr. Cook cannot deny that his firm almost without exception always took up Haji Cassum's boats, and he cannot deny that, although his firm began selling at Rs. 35, the moment prices went up, they stopped selling tickets themselves. At such times it was observed that a certain Mahomedan usually came forward and sold tickets at Rs. 40, Rs. 45, and Rs. 50, and sometimes even higher. He may or may not have been doing this on his own account. I am not desirous of entering into the subject at all, but I certainly wish to say that it is preposterous for Mr. Cook to talk of having saved Rs. 2,500,000 to pilgrims in general during seven years at a cost to Government of say Rs. 1,25,000 (£,7000 !).

My attention was called to what the general secretary of the Anjuman-e-Ashabut Islam has written to the *Pioneer* on the subject of Messrs. Cook's pilgrim agency, and I am inclined to agree to a certain extent to agree with the writer's view. Messrs. Thomas Cook and Son, he says, lost prestige and the confidence of the Mahomedan community by playing into Hajee Cassum and Co.'s hands. Hopes had been held out, and glowing accounts of new steamers with all kinds of comforts for the Hajees were given by Cook's agents to would-be Hajees, who loyally supported Mr. Cook's firm in the beginning but were naturally disappointed to see Haji Cassum's old boats waiting for them like before. The Hajees, moreover, found that the passage-money asked for in Bombay was often only Rs. 15 to Rs. 20, while they had paid Rs. 30 to Rs. 35 for Cook's tickets up-country. They felt the same discomforts and saw the same crowding inasmuch as the steamers carried the fullest complement of passengers with Cook's conductor (who certainly was not to be found in all ships chartered by Thomas Cook and Son), as was the case before. I concur in the opinion that Messrs. Thomas Cook and Son made a great mistake in lending their name to what really were passages by the old steamers, and on the old system. Messrs. Cook and Son could not perhaps under existing circumstances make better arrangements ; if so, they should have frankly admitted their own inability rather than claim undue credit, abuse officials, merchants, and everyone all around to make up for their own shortcomings. As far as I am concerned, Mr. Cook is welcome to claim credit for having brought about the embarkation of the pilgrims at the docks in 1886, when, as a matter of fact, the Port Trustees had minuted on that subject, on the 6th of May, 1884, as also for the erection of a rest-house by Mr. Cumuno Suleman, which Mr. Cook when he first called on the gentleman probably in the latter part of 1885, found, was already being built. (*Vide* appendix 7 to Report.)

Mr. Cook may have reason to feel indignant at the Under-Secretary to the Government of India writing to him curtly, or at the Accountant-General styling some of the items of the account which his firm sent in as being of a doubtful character, but surely he cannot expect to improve his case by publishing incorrect statements and indiscriminate abuse.—Yours, &c.,

November 23. FAZULBHOY VISRAM.

PROGRESS IN NASIK.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—I am glad to inform you that the proposed bridge over the Godavari, at Nasik, is now almost an accomplished fact. Connected with this bridge is a scheme for improved drainage, and for storing the water of the river for the hot season by means of a permanent dam with chambers for filtration. The whole is estimated to cost Rs. 1,50,000, of which Rs. 50,000 have been contributed by the Municipality Rs. 25,000 by the District Local Board, Rs. 25,000 by Government, and the remaining Rs. 50,000 have been collected from the people by our energetic and indefatigable District Deputy Collector, Rao Bahadur C. M. Thatte. The work is now fairly begun, and his Excellency the Governor has kindly consented to lay the foundation-stone about the middle of the next month. This news will be most welcome to those who have liberally contributed towards the fund.

You are, perhaps, also aware that Sir Dinshaw Manockjee Petit, Bart., has generously given a donation of Rs. 10,000 for a new building for the Veterinary Hospital here. This work is also begun, and his Excellency has kindly consented to lay the foundation-stone of this building also.—Yours, &c.,

Nasik, Nov. 23. T.

THE quantity of wheat shipped from ports in Sind to foreign ports during the month of September, 1894, was 154,025 bags, containing 304,727 cwts.—value Rupees 11,13,826.

"Up to the hilt!" said a Queen's Counsel in the Court of Appeal, the other day, and he would keep iterating that a certain point which he wished to press upon the judges had been proved to that extent. The repetition of the well-known formula of forensic phraseology was too much for the Master of the Rolls. He could stand it no longer. In his most rasping tone, which time has not worn, he asked, "What do you keep talking about 'your 'hilt' for?" Q.C. : "I beg pardon, my lord?" Lord Esher : I ask you what you keep talking about 'hilt' for?" Laughter all round the court, including a chuckle from Lord Justice Rigby. After the necessary pause, the learned counsel proceeded with his argument, but evidently most reluctant to part with his pet morsel of forensic slang.

MR. WILLIAM V. FRY, the British Vice-Consul at Lambayeque, whose disgraceful treatment by the Peruvian insurgents was recently reported, does not occupy a very well-paid post. His honorarium is only £10 a year, and for this minute sum he has to look after British interests, not only at Lambayeque, to which he was appointed in 1868, but also at Eten and Pimentel, which were added to his district in 1890. The ransom of 5,000 dollars which he has been compelled to pay to the insurgents, therefore, represents something like a hundred years' salary. Of course, the Peruvian Government will have to pay for this, and all the other damage done to British life and property by its rebellious subjects.

PLAY-GOERS will remember the scene in the "Voyage en Suisse" which a judge only the other day actually admitted having seen), wherein Mr Hanlon Lees went through all sorts of acrobatic performances in order to escape arrest at the hands of a sturdy gendarme. One is reminded of this by an incident that has taken place in Paris. A circus performer, Eusebe Durand, nicknamed the "bag of bones," was wanted by the police on a charge of swindling. For a long time their search for him was in vain. Over and over again they searched his lodgings, but he was never there. At length, they decided to impound his belongings, and they were proceeding to take away a small box, when it occurred to them that it was very heavy, and that perhaps they had better see what was inside. They opened the lid, and the moment they did so, out sprang the acrobat, who had rolled himself up into a ball, and was in hiding. Springing towards the door, the man made his way downstairs, with the policeman after him. He was eventually captured, however, and taken to the lock-up.

TABLE TALK.

[BY WALTER BESANT.]

LONDON, Nov. 2.

DIPHTHERIA prevented! Diphtheria curable!! I wonder if it is really true. We remember too well how rabies was found curable, and how that cure has ended. We remember, also, with bitterness, how consumption was going to be cured, and how the learned Doctor Koch has now retired into private life. Therefore we receive with natural doubt and hesitation the otherwise joyful news that diphtheria has been conquered. I fully expect that the doctors will, sooner or later, find a way to *prevent* everything. Whether they will ever actually cure everything, or anything, is open to doubt. Meantime consider, if you can, a world with no disease in it. I once tried to depict a world without death in it, except by accident ; and a dreary, dismal world it proved to be. But a world without disease! It is too vast a subject to be treated of in a paragraph. What, for instance, would become of the General Practitioner? He would have to sell his red lamp and attempt a new line of life ; probably he would become a coal merchant, or he might open a bucket shop. What would become of the Pharmaceutical One? He would have no call for his Pharmacy, and to live upon sponges and tooth brushes would prove precarious. He would take in washing probably. What, again, would become of the Hospital Nurse? She would try to become a novelist, perhaps. As for Quack medicines, the pills and the powders and the effervescent things, they would vanish suddenly. There would, you see, be losses. Moreover, we should be deprived of one principal topic of conversation. People always talk about symptoms. They never tire of asking and of telling. In fact, it is a part of politeness—the essence of which is to do as you would be done by—to listen patiently to all the symptoms. We should no longer begin by saying, "How well you look!" We should say, "Well? So far, no accident?" And if there was no longer with us the continual dread of pain we should begin to think about nothing but the necessity of growing old. Of course, no one would walk under ladders, or go a journey by rail, or fight in a battle, or swim out of his depth, or go in a sailing boat, or, in fact, do anything at all that was dangerous. Oh! there would be great losses.

I asked the meaning of a gown "drawn through the pocket holes." Here is an illustration, if not an answer. I confess that I am still unable to understand how a gown can be drawn through its pocket holes. It seems to me rather like the little boa constrictor swallowing the big boa constrictor. But never mind.

Winifred Price was tidy and clean ;
Gown was a flowered one ; petticoat, jean ;
Little dark eyes deep set in the socket holes ;
Gown tails tucked up and stuck through the pocket holes.

Thank you, fair correspondent.

A few figures on the universal pension business. There are 40,000.000 of people in the three kingdoms. The poor rate means £18,000,000 a year. There are a million paupers, the proportion to population going down. There are half a million of these paupers over sixty years of age. Outside the unions there are at least a quarter of a million of old people supported by their children. Total, three-quarters of a million to be supported or pensioned. What will it cost? I say *will*, not *would*, because it is quite certain to my mind that the thing will be done, and that before long. The pension will be 5s. a week, or £13 a year, which means, with the expense of administration, £10,000,000 a year. But then we save the maintenance of the half million now in the unions. The average annual cost of each pauper now is £18 a head, so that we shall save nine millions. Therefore the cost of bestowing a pension on half a million penniless persons over sixty will be one million more than at present. But we shall save that sum by the smaller establishments that will then be required. The children will be boarded out ; there will remain none but the infirm and the afflicted. I do not believe that we shall spend a penny more than we do at present.

This assumes that the pension is only to be given to the broken-down ; not that everybody is to be entitled to a pension at sixty. And if you come to think of it, nobody would apply for a pension so long as he could work, whether he was sixty or not, because there is a great difference between wages, say, of only 15s. a week and a pension of 5s. A pension would only be given in cases where a man can no longer work, can no longer get work, and would otherwise have to go into the House. I very much prefer my own plan, which is that the young working man shall secure his own pension by buying a deferred annuity when he is young and can save the money. Thus a young man of eighteen can buy an annuity of £2 to begin at sixty for about £5 ; at nineteen for a little less, and so on. If he goes on for ten years he has secured a pension of

for sport, and when the fight is done the old *mugger* waits far down the river out of sight of the village, behind the *kikar*-scrub yonder. Then come they down, my broad-shouldered Jats—eight or nine together under the stars bearing the dead man upon a bed. They are old men with grey beards, and voices as deep as mine. They light a little fire—ah, how well I know that fire!—and they drink tobacco, and they nod their heads together forward in a ring, or sideways towards the dead man upon the bank. They say the English Law will come with a rope for this matter, and that such a man's family will be ashamed, because such a man must be hanged in the great square of the jail. Then say the friends of the dead, 'Let him hang!' and the talk is all to do over again—once, twice, twenty times in the long night. Then says one at last: 'The fight was a fair fight. Let us take the blood-money, a little more than is offered by the slayer, and we will say no more about it.' Then do they haggle over the blood-money, for the dead was a strong man, leaving many sons. Yet before *amratvela* (sunrise) they put the fire to him a little, as the custom is, and the dead man comes to me, and he says no more about it. Ah! my children, the *mugger* knows—the *mugger* knows—and the Malwah Jats are a good people!"

"They are too close—too narrow in the hand for my crop," croaked the adjutant. "They waste not the polish on the cow's horn, as the saying is; and, again, who can glean after a Malwai?"

"Ah, I—glean—*them*," said the *mugger*.

"Now in Calcutta of the South, in the old days," the adjutant went on, "everything was thrown into the streets, and we picked and chose. Those were dainty seasons. Now they keep their streets as clean as the outside of an egg, and my people fly away. To be clean is one thing; to dust, sweep, and sprinkle seven times a day wearies the very gods themselves."

"There was a down-country jackal had it from a brother, who told me, that in Calcutta of the South all the jackals were as fat as otters in the rains," said the jackal, his mouth watering at the bare thought of it.

"Ah, but the white-faces are there—the English, and they bring dogs from somewhere down the river, in boats—big fat dogs—to keep those same jackals lean," said the adjutant.

"They are, then, as hard-hearted as these people? I might have known. Neither earth, sky, nor water shows charity to a jackal. I saw the tents of a white-face last season, after the rains, and I also took a new yellow bridle to eat. The white faces do not dress their leather in the proper way. It made me very sick."

"That was better than my case," said the adjutant. "When I was in my third season, a young and a bold bird, I went down to the river where the big boats come in. The boats of the English are thrice as big as this village."

"He has been as far as Delhi, and says all the people there walk on their heads," muttered the jackal. The *mugger* opened his left eye and looked keenly at the adjutant.

"It is true," the big bird insisted. "A liar only lies when he hopes to be believed. No one who had not seen those boats *could* believe this truth."

"*That* is more reasonable," said the *mugger*.

"And then?" (*To be concluded.*)

FOREST ADMINISTRATION IN MADRAS.

THE first meeting of the Madras Legislative Council this session was held on Wednesday. The Hon'ble N. Subbarow put the following question:—Is it a fact, as stated in the *Pioneer* of 4th November, under the heading of "A story of Forest Administration" that certain revenue officers in Kurnool district seized logs of wood in forest tanas though covered by permits, and also articles of domestic furniture, instruments of industry, etc., found in dwelling houses, as forest produce, and that the owners of these latter articles were under the orders of the District Collector, prosecuted and convicted in spite of the protest of the forest officers; has Government received any report in the matter, if so, will it be pleased to place the same on the table if not, will it be pleased to call for one?

The Hon'ble Mr. J. GRIGG replied as follows:—The article in the *Pioneer* was obviously based on information supplied by a forest ranger who had been reduced by the Conservator. Most of the articles seized were not covered by permits, and in the case of those so covered there was reason to doubt if the permits were valid. The so-called articles of domestic furniture and instruments of industry were mainly spokes and felloes of wheels; ploughs, pestles, legs of cot-frames, and other small articles, usually rough-fashioned in forests. There were only two cots, of which one was an unfinished article, and they were seized not in the dwellings of the ryots, but in the possession of the timber merchants and carpenters, and there were grounds for suspicion, not only from information received, but because the articles were largely made of a kind of wood for which no permits have been issued since 1890. It is incorrect to describe the Collector's action in prosecuting as being taken in spite of the protest of the forest officers. At the preliminary stage all the officers agreed that offences had been committed in connection with the articles seized in the cases, though there was a difference of opinion in the cases whether they should be compounded or prosecuted. Later on the ranger raised difficulties, but it was his habit to do so in his dealings with the deputy tahsildar. This officer had not been placed in any position of authority over the ranger as alleged in the article in the *Pioneer*. In the case of the seizure of cart-loads of timber the ranger's protest could not be attended to until an inquiry had been made about the felling without a permit, which he had failed to report or put a stop to. The explanation was not satisfactory but there was no proof of fraud, and the timber was released on the recommendation of the District Forest Officer. Conviction took place in due course of the law. The two were confirmed by the District Magistrate on appeal after the appellants had withdrawn an application they had made to the High Court for transfer of the appeals. The extract from the speech of the counsel for the defence, a second grade pleader of the old school, as reported, is purely imaginary. No complaints from persons concerned have been received by the Government or by the Board of Revenue. In fact the first report on the subject from the Board was received only to-day. It follows that the allegation as to the action of the Board and the Government are absolutely false. The report will be laid on the table.

CALCUTTA GOLF CLUB.

THE annual meeting of the Calcutta Golf Club was held on Tuesday evening, when the following office-bearers for the year were elected:—Captain A. F. Simson, Honorary Secretary—C. A. Smith, Ground Secretary—F. E. Patterson, Committee—F. H. E. Lamb, N. M. Mitchell Innes, J. Adamson, J. O'B Saunders. From the annual report for 1893-94, it is evident that the Calcutta Golf Club is in a highly flourishing state. The accounts for season ended 31st October last are most satisfactory. Fifty-nine new members joined the Club during the season, and fourteen resignations have been recorded. The membership roll now stands as follows:—Life members 23; ordinary members for the year 477; ordinary members for half-year seven; temporary members 13; honorary members 22; supernumerary members 229—total, 771. The Dum-Dum course has continued in popularity during the season. Through the kindness of the Military Authorities there, the Club has been allowed to enlarge the sand bunkers considerably, and the links may now be considered one of the very best in India. After communication with the various Golf Clubs in India and the East, the Committee suggests that this year's Championship meeting be held during the Christmas week in Calcutta for the third time.

PRIZE-WINNERS, 1893-94.

Championship of India, Christmas Meeting, 1893—Challenge Silver Cup, won by N. M. Mitchell-Innes, scores 278, allowance, Scratch, nett 278; 2nd Prize, J. B. Robertson, 284, Scratch, 284. Handicap Prize, H. C. Begg, 2nd, Scratch, 90; 2nd Prize, F. H. E. Lamb, 92, Scratch, 90. Record Prize, N. M. Mitchell Innes, and J. B. Robertson tied. Visitors' Handicap, S. Forbes, 199, 12, 187. Open Handicap, S. Forbes, 95, 10, 85. Visitors' Scratch Prize, J. B. Robertson, 88, Scratch, 88. Club Gold Medal, J. Adamson, 87, Scratch, 87. Blackheath Gold Medal, N. F. Mackenzie, 91, 6, 87; 2nd Prize, W. E. G. C. Dickson, 97, 10, 87. Lansdowne, Gold Medal, F. H. E. Lamb, 89, Scratch, 89. Cashmere Silver Cup, N. M. Mitchell-Innes, 39, Scratch, 39. Ladies' Challenge Cup, A. F. Simson, 85, Scratch, 85. Silver Challenge Club, N. M. Mitchell-Innes, 346, Scratch, 346; R. D. Murray, 357, 11, 346. Madras Silver Medal, A. J. Pugh, 95 16, 79. Bombay Silver Medal A. J. Dent 18, 12, 86. St. Andrew's Silver Challenge Tankard Norman McLeod, 99, 4, 85; 2nd Prize, J. G. Ritchie 94, 9, 85. Opening Day Handicap, N. M. Mitchell-Innes, 45. Scratch, 45, Mr. J. F. Finlay's Prize N. M. Mitchell-Innes, Hole Match. Captain's Cup, John Steel, 95, 12, 83, Foursome Match, F. H. E. Lamb, D. A. Campbell Hole Match. 2nd Foursome Match, L. G. Dunbar, W. Orrell, Hole Match. Duffer's Cup, R. T. Deane, 56. 6, 50. Duffer's Cup, Capt. C. F. G Young, 106, 6, 100. Duffer's Cup, E. A. Leach, 104, 4, 100.

THE WAZIRISTAN SITUATION.

DERA ISMAIL KHAN, 19th November.

TWENTY of the sick and wounded from Wano have arrived here, and are doing well. They were visited by Sir William Lockhart on Sunday. A party of 220 rifles of the 32nd Punjab Infantry marched in to-day, completing the regiment to its full service strength. Telegraphic communication has been restored between Tank and Kajuri Kach.

A powindah caravan of unloaded camels was attacked in the Gomal on the 17th, and 60 to 80 camels were looted and two sowars wounded. Next day another caravan of loaded camels was reported as being attacked at the same place, losing 40 camels; but it is not clear whether this report does not refer to the previous day's attack. The Abdur Rahman Khels are undoubtedly collecting north of the Gomal. Escorts have been largely increased. The powindah camel drivers, who previously declined any guard, now refuse to move without a strong escort.

KAJURI-KACH, 19th November.

Major Fulton, 1-2-d Gurkhas, and Captain Western, 1st Punjab Cavalry, left here this morning for Spin, en route to Wano, with reinforcements for their respective corps. The detachment of the 4th Punjab Infantry having been relieved by a detachment of the 19th Punjab Infantry, under Captain McCarthy, marched this morning for Tank, to rejoin the headquarters of the regiment which is being concentrated. There are rumours to-day of an intended attack by 3,000 Mahsud Waziris on Wano or Kajuri Kach.—*Pioneer*,

NEWS OF THE DAY.

MR. RIBBENTROP's review of forest administration published a few days ago may be studied with interest not only by the specialist but by the general reader. Few probably are aware that the area now under the charge of the Forest Department in India is considerably greater than that of the United Kingdom. In Burma alone the forest area amounts to about 33,000 square miles, or more than the area of Ireland. In Bombay it is nearly 15,000 square miles, and in the Central Provinces more than 20,000 square miles. In Bengal the total amounts to nearly 13,000 square miles, or about 8·5 per cent. of the entire provincial area.

A VERY interesting polo match was played off at Lucknow, on Monday evening, in the presence of a large gathering. The game was between the 1st and 4th squadrons of the 16th Lancers. The sides were, for the former, Mr. Bellew, Captain Deasy, Mr. Church, and Colonel Babington; for the latter Messrs. Leny, Gough, MacEwen, and Captain Beaumont, their places being in the order the names are given. The umpires were Captains Orr-Ewing and Charles Gough. The game was very fast throughout, and resulted in one goal and eight subsidiaries for the 4th Squadron, against one goal and one subsidiary. The regiment is splendidly mounted, and the team will make a good fight in the Inter-Regimental Tournament.

WITH reference to the durability of Indian woods, Mr. C. Gilbert Rogers, Deputy Conservator of Forests, writes:—Chir, when not painted, and when exposed to the weather will only last from five to six years. This statement is based upon observations made with regard to the Thadiar sledge road, beyond Chakrata, in the Jaunsar Forest division, at an elevation of about 4000 feet. Chir was chiefly used in the construction of the sledge road in August 1889. The road was opened to traffic in the December of the same year, and was used for four working seasons. In April, 1894, a year after, the sledge road was abandoned, nearly all the cross pieces were rotten and a large proportion of the beams had either snapped or were unserviceable. In the Deota sledge road which was made in 1883, and is at an elevation of 6,000 feet in the same valley, the beams and cross-pieces were of Dodar and are still in fair condition, the large beams being perfectly sound. Some unpainted Chir battens used to support the corrugated iron roof of the Dakra mill on one of the Dun canals, which was put up in 1892 are now absolutely rotten and will have to be replaced.

THE Madras Musical Association gave a private concert in the Banqueting Hall on Tuesday evening in honour of their Excellencies Lord and Lady Wenlock. There were present by invitation about a hundred and fifty guests to meet their Excellencies. A very good programme of vocal and instrumental music was performed and at its conclusion Lord Wenlock expressed his appreciation of the musical treat afforded to Lady Wenlock and himself, and returned thanks to the Association on behalf of all present. He then thanked Signor Aloisio, the indefatigable conductor personally and congratulated him on the great progress the Association had made since its formation.

OF the making of school books, with a vast multitude of attendant keys and "cribs" of sorts, observes the *Pioneer*, there is in India no end, as the late Director of Public Instruction in these Provinces could no doubt tell us. Dismay, however, has lately been carried among the ranks of the compilers by the action of a well-known English publishing firm. It has been discovered, it seems, that many of the keys to English works infringe the law of copyright, and an agent of the publishers in question has recently been making a tour through India, bidding their authors stand and deliver or run the risk of prosecution. In Madras the threat resulted in the surrender of some 4,500 of the offending keys; in Jeypur an entire edition of one key was given up; in Bombay several prosecutions are to be instituted; and in the North-West Provinces at least one busy compiler has received notice to watch his ways. It is not to be supposed that the trade in keymaking will stop, but it is possible, if the law courts take the same view as Messrs. Macmillan, we may have better keys.

LALLA RAM CHAND of Mari Gate, Delhi, a wealthy mahajan, has imported a carriage worked by electricity. The carriage was originally intended for the Begum of Bhopal, put owing to its not arriving up to time in India the Begum refused to take delivery of it. Consequently, the said mahajan purchased the carriage. For the last few days all the expert mistris in Delhi have been trying their best to make the carriage move, but up to this they appear not to have grasped the system of working it. And the carriage lies in the mahajan's house. This appears to be an opportunity for some electrician to advertise his skill.

THE following case, which occurred only the other day in the Lahore Courts, goes a long way to prove how utterly masters are at the mercy of their servants. A gentleman was sued by his servant for wages due, but, unfortunately for the servant, the master employed counsel, and at the hearing the case not only fell through, but it was proved that the servant owed a balance of accounts to the master. The case was dismissed with costs against the servant. Counsel at this stage of proceedings applied for the issue of a warrant for the recovery of the costs under section 262 of the Criminal Procedure Code, which was in perfect accord with the provisions of the section, but the verbal application was refused. A written application has had to be made, but in the meantime the golden opportunity of making an example of the servant has been lost, for once at liberty it is more than doubtful that the police will ever succeed in finding him to execute the warrant when issued.

THE Lahore paper announces that a lady has started a home for children at Naini Tal on purely English lines. Such an institution is a real want in India, whence so few can now afford to send their children home at an early age. The arrangements, according to the particulars supplied to us, appear to be very complete, and if the school will be kept, as promised, very select indeed it ought to be a great success.

SOME little stir was occasioned at the dinner table of the Hongkong Hotel on the day before the mail left by the rather sensational arrest of two visitors. The affair was neatly managed by the police officer and the majority of the company were unaware that any *contretemps* was taking place. It leaked out, however, that Inspector Quincy, with two assistants had served a warrant on a lady and gentleman who had been residing at the Hotel for several days, and much curiosity was excited as to the circumstances surrounding what was evidently a rather mysterious affair. It appears that the French Consul, acting on telegraphic instructions from his Government, obtained a warrant to arrest a Frenchman named Emile Arton and a woman who has passed under various aliases during the last year or so, on charges connected with the Panama frauds. The man wanted by the French police is said to have been sentenced to twenty years imprisonment with hard labour during the Panama trial in Paris, and has up to the present escaped the vigilance of the authorities. The man now under arrest is supposed to be this individual, although some doubt appears to exist, there being a considerable disparity between the supposed ages of the accused and the actual culprit. The man and woman were on Saturday night lodged in cells at the Central Station. The male prisoner gave his name as Emile Arton, 28, jeweller, and the female is described as Henriette Goddard *alias* Suzanne Nery, *alias* Henriette de Donvelle, 28, married woman. They came up in company from Saigon by the last French mail. Both protest that the case is one of mistaken identity, and colour is lent to their statement by the fact that on Sunday afternoon after full inquiries Madame Goddard was liberated in the sum of 500 dls. on her own recognisances.

THE head-quarters wing of the 3rd Punjab Cavalry, under Colonel Egerton, rode in to Bunnoo at 11 a. m. on the 16th instant, having left Kohat under instructions at 6 a. m. on the 15th—80 miles in 29 hours. The ponies and followers were up shortly afterwards. The rumours of a possible attack upon Bunnoo brought about this forced march. All remains quiet, however. Reports from beyond the frontier as usual have been wildly conflicting, but there seems to be no doubt about the fact that there has been a large emigration of Waziris from the neighbourhood of Wano to the country nearest the Jani Khel outpost, which is close to the Tochi Pass. Hence the rumours of an intended attack upon Bunnoo; and remembering how the Waziris once raided Tank it is well that every precaution should be taken. Other reports say that the clansmen merely mean to deposit their families in this quarter and then to go back to have it out with the force at Wano.

MAHARAJA GANGA SINGH, the minor Chief of the Bikaneer State, who is [illegible] attain his majority, has left the Mayo College, Ajmere, where he was being educa[illegible] the capital of the State, prepa[illegible] on the *gaddi* of his ances[illegible]

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WHIST STORIES.

MR. W. P. COURTNEY, the author of a new book on whist, which is dedicated to his brother members of the Reform Club, "who frequent the card-room," has furnished an interesting sketch of the birth and gradual development of whist, and has gathered together enough of good stories of the whist table to make a volume which even those who never take a hand in a rubber will find full of entertainment. It is gratifying to our national pride to know that Whist—it used to be called "Whisk," but only, it would seem, by popular corruption of the more generally received name—is substantially a product of English soil. The French Witt who warned the lady who could not play whist of the mournful old age which she was preparing for herself, had to thank his own stars that he flourished no earlier than the eighteenth century; for it is but a hundred and sixty years ago since this noble game was carried from England into the centres of Parisian life. Even with us, the period of its gradual development appears to have been only something more than two centuries. Under the Georges, however, it made immense progress, and there was a period when, from the servants' hall to the drawing-room and the boudoir, everybody in England seemed to be playing whist. But it is time to give some samples of Mr. Courtney's anecdotes. Although the question whether cards are a legitimate pleasure is one on which the clergy have much divided, it will be seen in the chapters on Clerical Whist-playing, that the clergy have, on the whole, inclined to the whist-table. Even the saintly Keble gave in to its attractions when late in life. Archbishops and Bishops figure in these chapters in considerable number.

AN EPISCOPAL WHIST PLAYER.

In zeal for the game of whist, no member of the episcopal bench was more conspicuous as dear old Bishop Bathurst. He had spent a long life in supporting a freer range of thought within the Church, and in voting in his place in the House of Lords for every measure of reform. The sands of his life were fast running out, and many blamed him "for playing so much in the evenings at whist;" but he cared little for such censure, as his family had the good sense to encourage him in this practice. They thought, and were justified in thinking, that "the attention which he gave to the game contributed to sharpen and keep his faculties alive by an amusement of which he was always fond." Sometimes, as even the intimates of his domestic circle were obliged to confess, the good old man displayed some irritation at the game; but it was not because the stakes were high—as the first they were only shillings, and they were afterwards reduced to the still more modest six-penny-bits of his brother Hurd, and he was generous enough to pay his son's losses on most occasions—but "from a native eagerness at anything which he was about, and a little impatience of contradiction." Once, and once only, did he launch into deeper rage in connection with his favorite game. In one supreme moment of agony his feelings could not restrain themselves. On hearing the name of a new appointment in the Chapter, there was wrung from him the passionate exclamation: "I have served the Whigs all my life, and now they send me down a Canon who doesn't know clubs from spades." "Whist at the Universities" furnishes forth an amusing chapter. An awful evidence of the passion for whist among the Cambridge undergraduates of St. John's is derived from Mr. Thorpe's pages of autobiography:

WHAT'S TRUMPS?

The new chapel, one of the glories of Gilbert Scott, had not yet sprung into shape. The collegians met in the old unpretending structure, and some of the younger members were placed in Bishop Fisher's chantry at its south-east corner. Its occupants were screened from the view of all but two or three dons, whose eyesight had been blunted by time, assisted by reading, and so its frequenters brought with them books, and other means of diversion. The snug corner was known popularly as the "Iniquity," and the sitters within its recesses pursued their nefarious practices for many years without check or interruption. One day retribution came upon them. In the hush, while the reader was finding the first lesson, there arose from the "Iniquity," to the astonishment of the Senior Dean, the appalling words, "What's trumps?" The style of play now generally associated in card circles with the famous "Cavendish" was first practised, we learn, in a little set of young men—their names are here recorded—who met together at Cambridge in 1854. Oxford has been less distinguished in this way.

WHIST IN OXFORD.

Against such a long list of proficients on the banks of the Cam, the sister University makes but a poor show. There were a few, but only a few, circles in which whist prevailed. One of the centres of card life was at the rooms of Dr. John Burton, Canon of Christ Church, who died in 1825. He is pithily described as an "amiable, gouty, uninfluential old gentleman," and during his long tenure of the canonry—it lasted from 1793 to 1825—his rooms were distinguished for gossip and sober whist on his part, and by the crowded routs, and bloody cooking-matches which were the delight of his daughter. Another set congregated at the house of the house of the widow of Timothy Neve, a Bampton lecturer, and a Margaret Professor of Divinity. She lived in an old mansion called Beam, opposite Morton College chapel, and it was her daily boast that her drawing-room, small as it was, had often accommodated seven card-tables. One pre-eminent name in the past history of Oxford does, indeed, rise before us as a whist player, but rather as one been on temporary amusement than on distinction as an expert. This was Mansel, who, on one occasion, when Professor Chandler was in his company, sat in enfeebled health, tired and disinclined to read. His friend realised that some form of amusement would be good for the sufferer, and "proposed a game of single dummy whist." The third person in the room unexpectedly pointed out that the house did not contain a pack of cards. A droll twinkle in Mansel's eye at those words attracted the notice of the Professor, who at once exclaimed to the doubter: "Put you would play if cards would be found?" and with equal promptitude received the answer of acquiescence. Mansel, "with a most comical face," left the room, and in a few minutes returned with a box containing some counters and two packs of cards, almost unused. They sat down at the table and played "such games of whist as have rarely been played." Mansel was drawn out of himself, his laugh rose louder and louder, and when the games were over "he was quite another man." Out of some scores of anecdotes which come under the head of "Woman's Whist," we select a story of how Sir John Easthope, playing whist at an hotel in Paris, retrieved a hasty ebullition of temper by

AN ADROIT TURN.

His opponent's partner was Lady Wyattville, a sharp active old woman over eighty years of age, but still preserving traces of her youthful beauty. She revoked, and was accused of the crime, but met the accusation with vehement denial, and when the proofs of the charge were produced, treated her accuser with "haughty disdain, and not very polited contradiction." Sir John lost his patience, and, rising from his chair, rasped out with abrupt anger: "Madame, you are a cheat." Her eyes flashed fire; she rose from her chair, and advanced towards the offender. By this time he had recovered his coolness and presence of mind, and was only bent on extricating himself from a false position. "Yes, madame, I repeat it—you cheat abominably; and in the course of a long life," he added, laying his hand upon his heart. "I have invariably noticed that the handsomest woman is, the more she cheats at cards." This compliment to her person, at the expense of other qualities, produced, it is said, the desired effect. "Celebrated Whist Parties" introduce the following characteristic story of the well-known Quarterly Reviewer, John Wilson Croker:

TEACHING HIS TEACHER.

A group of Conservative politicians assembled at an entertainment in the Mansion in London. The three best known members of the party were the Duke of Wellington, Sir Robert Peel, and Croker. The Duke and the Leader of the House of Commons were seated at whist at the same table. A short distance from them at another table was Croker, engaged in the process of initiation in the rudiments of ecarte. Peel turned to one of the Corinthians, always ready to execute his behests, with the words, "Go and ask him if he ever learned the game before." The obsequious satellite returned with the answer, "Never, upon my soul." Peel knew his man well. They had not been associated in public life for so many years without his having acquired a precise knowledge of his ways. "Well," was the remark, "I'll bet that in twenty minutes by my watch Croker tells his teacher that he does not know how to play." They waited and listened, but they had not long to wait for the fulfilment of the prophecy. In five minutes there dropped from Croker's lips the words, "Well, do you know, I should not have thought that the best way of playing." Legal whist-players appear to have been more numerous than brilliant. Ellenborough and Erskine were both fond of whist. When sojourning at Tunbridge Wells in the autumn of 1807, they solaced their idle hours one evening by playing a rubber with Lady Donegal and Miss Berry—the latter of whom has recorded her doubts as to which was the worst player. Lyndhurst and Wensleydale were, it is added, on the same level of incapacity, though the whole four of those illustrious lawyers followed the pursuit for years with undiminished eagerness. Napoleon would not give due attention to the game—a fatal defect in a whist-player. Mr. Courtney's survey, however, leads him to the conclusion that most of the Generals who have indulged in the game have been conspicuous for excellence, though every now and then there arises a military man who breaks this "monotony of uniformity." "Kings and their subjects at Whist" proves a more fruitful heading. Here is, by way of specimen, an anecdote of Louis Philip:—

"AN ELEGANT INSOLENCE."

The Prince who rose to the throne of France on the flight of Charles X. was also a card-player. It was when engaged in a game at whist that he had to submit to "an elegant insolence." He dropped a louis on the carpet, and arrested the progress of the game to look for it, whereupon "a foreign Ambassador, who was one of the party, set fire to a billet of 1,000 francs to give light to the King under the table."

Lack of space precludes our quoting some amusing passages in the chapters on "Clubs and Cards," "whist Superstitions," "The Ideal whist Player," and "Whist and the Poets and Novelists." The volume concludes with a general survey of publications on whist and their authors, in which we are glad to note a reference to the well-remembered monthly whist articles in Mr. Charles Mossop's Westminster Papers"—a publication from which a recent writer on this subject has helped himself rather freely without due acknowledgment.

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A BERBER MARRIAGE MARKET.

THERE are said to be seventeen distinct dialects of the Berber language spoken by the tribesmen of North Africa, and there might be seventy-and-seven, judging from the variety of accents, salutes, and objurgations that fall upon our ears as we make our way along the right bank of the Wad Djemaa towards the marketplace of the Ait Menguelet, one of the more important of the Kabyle centres. The road, or, rather, the track—roads are as yet creations of the future here—is crowded with wayfarers, for the natives are pouring into the place in their hundreds from the country round about. Singly and in family parties they come pushing along. Berbers and negroes, Arabs and Jews, villagers and traders, half-naked vagabonds and silk-attired women, some mounted on mules, asses, others tramping it on foot. Here march a string of swarthy clansmen of the Beni Abbas, in long striped *boornoos* and straw hats a yard high and a yard and a-half across the brim; there a party of blacks from the South, wearing only a short white shirt, tied in about the waist, and a round knob of hair projecting from the top of the head. Here ride a knot of the Aissa tribesmen, carrying pottery to be sold in the market, there a half-dozen of the Wazaif, with a string of obstinate mules, calling heaven to witness that the perversity of the animals is the direct outcome of a vicious parentage and disreputable ancestry. Here we have a batch of Jews, in long, dark *khalats* and *peaks* or side curls nearly as long, talking loudly among themselves about an appeal to the "Shushtash of the peash" (for they make a muddle of Arabic and a hash of Berber); there a Tergua peasant, with a load of fruit and vegetables, whom the grinning Arabs in the road salute as "Father of Cabbages." Kabyle women, with next to nothing on, amble along astride donkeys, which carry also loads of honey, figs, eggs, and cream cheese; followed by solemn-visaged *amina* or village elders in flowing robes and red fez, with their invariable attendant, the village *hodja* or scribe. In a word, the mixed multitude of the whole of the surrounding country have turned out and are afoot, for it is the great annual market and yearly fair of the local Berber tribesmen, held just after the ingathering of the harvest, when the growers from the *deheras* round about try to dispose of their spare produce and make all their purchases for the ensuing twelve months. And more than that, it is the great marriage market of the Kabyle clansmen, when all the young marriageable girls and widows of the neighbouring nits are exhibited and shown like other

MARKETABLE COMMODITIES,

with a view to attracting satisfactory offers from eligible suitors. These markets are common to several of the Berber tribes of Morocco, Algiers, and Tunis. As a rule, the Kabyle regards his daughters as chattels to be sold like other goods and possessions, and they are accordingly disposed of to buyers who make the highest bid in cash or kind to the father or male guardian. Among the *Kbail*, where these marriage markets are held, the girls are allowed a voice in the selection of their husbands, and may decline any proposal if they so please when on view. As can be imagined, the markets are always largely attended, not only by young and old clansmen on the lookout for a wife, but by numbers of curious folk anxious to inspect the marriageable lots on sale. The market place of the Menguelet, on the Wad Djemaa, is just an open space of considerable extent a little way from the dwellings of the residents. Pushing our way in among the crowd there, we find ourselves amid the usual heterogeneous components of an Oriental bazaar. There are rows of animals ranged along one side, with heaps of chopped straw and fodder for sale close by, and on the other tribesmen of the Beni Yanu, with weapons and arms; of the Beni Aissa, with pottery; Yessef dealers in *boornoos* and *haiks* for women, and men of Beni Abbas, with the striped cloaks for which they are famous. Dotted here and there are half-naked Berbers and negroes and Arabs with heaps of fruit beside or in front of them; women with trays, on which eggs, butter, honey, and cheese are ranged for sale; and Jews, who monopolise the business in cotton and woollen piece-goods. Here, in the very midst of the throng, a negro butcher, in a white smock, is slaughtering an ox, flaying the animal while still warm, and dividing it into huge pieces, each of which he dips into an enormous drum-shaped calabash of water before handing it to the customers waiting round him, who carry off their joints impaled upon the end of a long wooden stake. Not far off is a native blacksmith, wearing nothing but a thick leather apron, busy on his knees in front of a small furnace, and still smaller anvil, stuck into the ground, repairing the arms of a couple of swarthy tribesmen of the desert, with their black pigtails and white-hooded *boornoos*. Now and again we catch sight of

A COUPLE OF TRADERS

standing quiet and immovable in the middle of the noisy bustling and pushing crowd, each one with a hand under his neighbour's cloak sleeve, and grasping his arm, as if engaged in feeling the other's pulse. There are, however, only business men bargaining and making use of the conventional signs employed by Eastern merchants from Morocco in Northern Africa to Khagar in Central Asia. The signs consist of certain pressures on the finger and knuckle joints, each having a recognised value and significance, and by the employment of these a deal can be effected in the open market without attracting the notice of the gaping on-lookers, who will listen and offer their advice, whenever business is transacted in their presence. There is any amount of noise and chatter in this portion of the market. Dealers and their wives loudly and hoarsely vehemently haggle and curse in each of the seventeen dialects known to them. Women go to and fro, the bells on their ankles jingling, and the clogs they wear clattering as they move. Flute and cymbal players add their quota to the sounds that distract one, while the harmony is not improved by the barking and howling of numerous dogs attracted by the butcher's offal, and fighting for its possession. Only the Mkhagnis appear quiet, unconcerned, and uninterested in what is going on. These are the market overseers, beadles, policemen, and guardians of the peace rolled into one. They sit comfortably in one of the further corners, wearing straw hats as tall as themselves, and a good deal wider, and what looks like their bed-covering tied over their shoulders. They are smoking and dozing as if the market were a hundred miles off. We pass them, and others, to reach that portion of the open space where the marriage market is held, and where the marriageable exhibits are on show.

HERE THEY ARE IN THREE ROWS,

stretching right across the market-place, fixed, as Americans say, in the very best and most telling of Berber ladies' costumes; painted, powdered, and patched, too, in the highest style of Kabyle art, ornamented with a sufficiency of rings and bangles brooches and chains and coins to stock a fair-sized jeweller's shop. The jewels are rarely, if ever, the property of the young lady or her father, but are borrowed from neighbours and friends for the occasion; and as the residents of a dehera, or village, are always anxious that the marriageable girls of the place shall show up well in the market, there is no difficulty in obtaining the loan for the day of any amount of this kind of ornament. There is a good deal of emulation too between rival hamlets, so that it is often a question of how much a girl being decked for the fair can be made to carry. The young women are all seated on small squares of carpet spread on the ground. Each one has an elderly person acting as negafa, or nurse and duenna, beside her, and in front of each is exposed, as if for sale, a small roll of stuff woven by her own hands. The faces of the girls are all uncovered, for Berber women are not given to wearing the face-concealing haik of the Arab-speaking females. Whether they are pretty or not it is difficult to say. Not because there is any objection to examining them closely. Quite the contrary indeed. But the Berber women are so accustomed to

PAINTING AND PATCHING

and even tatooing the face and forehead, that it is impossible to say what the natural features really look like. Here, in the front row, are several of the candidates for marriage, who, judging from the attention they are attracting, are evidently belles of the deheras to which they belong. One is a girl of about sixteen. Her face is powdered all over; there are yellow bars painted across it, and a starshaped patch of gold foil is stuck on her right cheek. Her forehead is tatooed with a blue circle, and her lips and gums are well reddened with suck. Her hair is plaited in narrow plaits, a ribbon and a gold coin dangling at the end of each plait. She wears a long-sleeved, red silk smock, falling halfway down the legs, a similarly-coloured silk plaid, worn Scotch fashion over the left shoulder, where it is fastened with a gold brooch set with stones. On her head is a Phrygian cap, with a thick corded silk border twisted round the bottom, and fringed ends, to which tiny coins are fixed, hanging over the forehead down to its eyebrows. To a pair of small earrings she wears are attached two larger rings about six inches in diameter, from which a number of little bells dangle. A heavy necklet is round her neck, and below that she wears a massive chain and central brooch-piece much like the jewelled collars worn by the Mayors of English towns. There is a broad band of gold round each arm, and seven narrow bangles, to which bells are also fastened below it. A double row of bangles with bells adorns the ankles, the legs from the knees down are bare, but the feet are encased in small yellow slippers high in front with gold embroidered edges and jewelled tops. As this Berber beauty moves from side to side the bells about her tinkle unsically. The

OTHER GIRLS ON VIEW

are attired in much the same fashion of robe, only the headgear and face decoration are rather different. One clore by has her face painted entirely yellow, a very pale yellow of course, with little stars and suns and moons of silver foil stuck all over it, and she wears a flat pancake-shaped hat on her head, well stiffened out and hung with gold coins. The hat is secured under the chin by means of a chain of little coins, and from its sides flutter two long ends of woollen stuff attached to it, that fall to the waist. A third wears a turban-shaped head-dress, and is entirely enveloped in a pink gauze veil, which contrasts oddly with a number of circular blue marks tatooed all over her cheeks. Yet another has her head decked with a little jewelled fez cap, bas red streaks painted at an angle right across her face, and gold foil patches stuck all over it. There are a few widows among the ladies in the market, and these wear a white cloth pinned on top of the head, and then secured by means of a brooch near the waist. Otherwise, all the beauties on show are much of a muchness—all painted and patched, all in silk smocks, and all loaded with as much jewellery as their female friends have been enabled to find room for about them. They bear with the utmost unconcern the close gaze and inspection of the visitors and market folk, and seem well able to take care of themselves, even without the *negafas* who sit beside them.

THE ETIQUETTE OF THE MARKET

is anything but elaborate, and the wooing there is certainly not long a-doing. The would-be possessor of one of the young ladies simply steps up to her and asks with what assurance he can the price of the roll of woven stuff she holds in front of her. If she be pleased with the gentleman's exterior, she names a very low figure, a mere trifle, and then a loud and shrill and long drawn-out *yu-yu-yu-u-u-u* from the mouth of the *negafa*, promises to all present the fact that a deal has been effected. The news is received with a general chorus of *mishh, mishh lazef*, the Berber equivalent of "good, very good." If the young lady does not care to entertain the offer, she simply names a price ludicrously high, and the gentleman walks off to inspect the next lot, or repeat his inquiry in another quarter. While we are noting the attire and bearing of the young ladies, they are quite busy rejecting and accepting such offers. The Berber bucks from the neighbouring deheras, got up in full fig for the occasion, in long red boornoos, high straw hats capacious enough to hold a jack-in-the-green on May-day, with tufts of feathers the size of a prize cabbage fixed above and around the brim, and top knots on their heads well greased, strut about, eyeing the beauties exposed to view, and stopping now and then to make a closer and more critical examination of them. They seem a good deal

MORE NERVOUS THAN THE GIRLS,

for, as a rule, they hesitate long before putting their fate to the test, and some spend an hour, and even two or three, walking up and down in front of their innamorata before summoning up courage enough to ask the price of the woven roll. And all the time the young woman and the negafa keep them from the corners of their eyes, and chatter away, casting amused glances at them every now and then in a tantalising way that adds to their discomfort while it takes from their courage. Some of the more elderly Berbers, it is true, go to work in quite a business-like way, and ask one after another of the seated girls the momentous question until they get the answer they desire. The majority, however, the younger dandies of the *deheras*, look as sheepish and lootish as the rawest chawbacon at home, casting sheep's eyes at some red-cheeked dairy-maid. But the quiet *negafa* sitting there understands her business, and a really eligible young Berber finds a nod quite as good as a wink from the white-robed nurse and duenna, whose face just shows under the ample wimple that enwraps her head. The young ladies, moreover appear to realise the strictly commercial nature of the whole affair, and instinctively know when a likely candidate presents himself to their notice. For then, instead of answering off-hand, as they do in other cases, without a glance at the questioner, they turn from the *negafa*, raise their eyes boldly to the new-comer, and look him all over from crown to heel, noting his good and bad points as critically and keenly as a horse-dealer does an animal that someone would rush him into buying. There is no shame-facedness or mock-modesty about these girls. If pleased they give a prompt and

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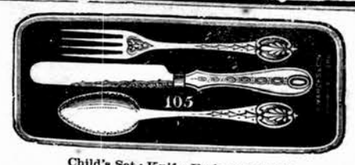

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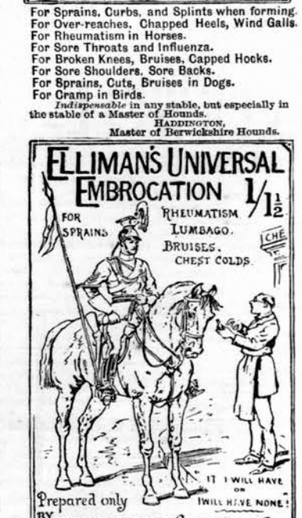

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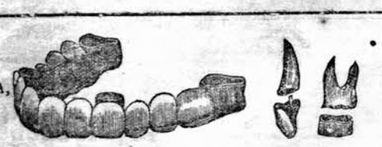

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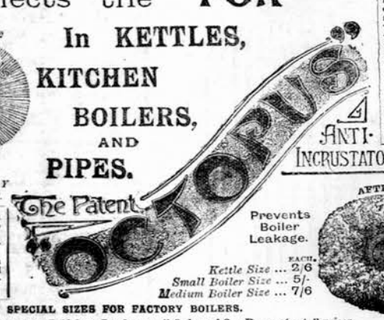

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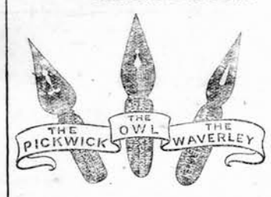

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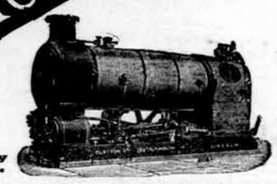

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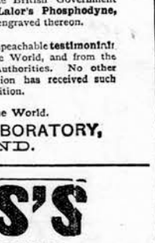

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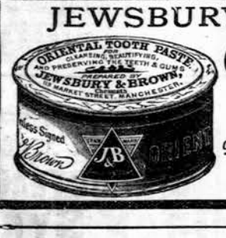

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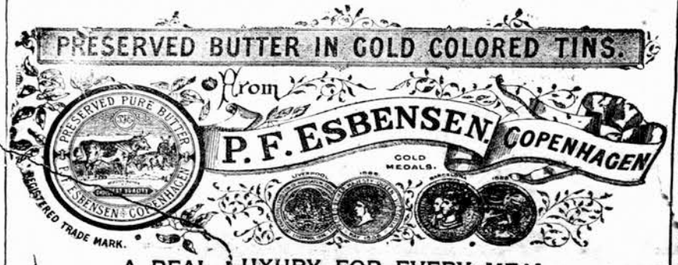

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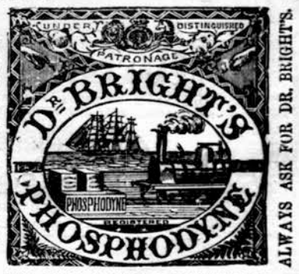

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